

Loyola students safe after military coup in Thailand

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Last Tuesday night, 19 Loyola College students studying in Bangkok watched with little more than mild surprise as Thailand's military seized control of the government by parking tanks outside of the prime minister's office and other government buildings, with everything unfolding live on CNN.

Before more information could be had, television channels were silently switched to broadcast videos of Thailand's King with children singing in the background, and soon even CNN

was cut out, a message attributing the interruption in programming to "sun outages." Along with the government house, the military had taken control of Thailand's radio and media sources.

There were no reports of violence.

Pictures of Thai soldiers and tanks donned with yellow ribbons indicating their allegiance to Thailand's revered king, Bhumibol Adulyadej, appeared on CNN.com, and other news Web sites, then the only sources of information for Loyola students.

Students submitted a picture of themselves watching the coup on television to CNN's Web site, and

soon after they were called by CNN for an interview.

Except for an incident where two students reported being stopped and searched by police who were concerned about "terrorists," Loyola students were not directly affected by the coup. The next day military leaders declared a national holiday where banks and schools were closed.

Though no violence was expected, the director of the Loyola Bangkok program, Francis J. Nash, S.J., advised students not to venture out of the immediate neighborhood of the Assumption University campus, where Loyola continued on page 6



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Freshmen Mike Wall and Brian Hungarten walk outside in Rolland Park. Contract agreements prohibit students from living here.

Issues still exist with Loyola's neighbors

BY MARY SCOTT
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"No Loyola Parking" signs, repeated warnings to respect the neighbors, and limiting the neighborhoods students can live in may give the impression that Loyola's neighbors are quick to disdain the student body.

Many neighbors, however, say that while there are still some issues, the relationship between the College and its surrounding neighborhoods is more positive than many give it credit for.

Problems such as noise complaints, parking issues, and construction projects have an impact on both Loyola and those neighborhoods surrounding the College. One thing Loyola has done to try and avoid these is

create a contract with the North Baltimore Neighborhood Association. Signed in March of 2005, this contract allows Loyola to continue with its capital projects such as the construction of the new freshman dorm and forthcoming athletic complex on Falls Road.

In return for allowing Loyola to continue with its expansion, the College has agreed not to allow students to live and park in certain neighborhoods -- among those are Blythewood, Keswick, and Guilford.

"Anytime you have a campus that has on it close to 3,400 men and women between the ages of 18 and 22, plus the people who work here, there's always going to be friction between the institution continued on page 4



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Students studying abroad in Bangkok, Thailand watch on CNN as Thailand's military seized control of the Prime Minister by parking tanks outside government buildings. The coup was non-violent.

Loyola forms partnership with York Road school

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With Loyola's Year of the City campaign in full swing, Loyola has established a partnership with St. Mary of the Assumption School, located on York Road.

The partnership began early last spring when Bishop Dennis Madden approached Rev. Brian Linnane, S.J. about helping out parish schools in the inner city area.

"He was concerned about St. Mary's, and was considering how

the educational experience there could be enhanced," said Linnane.

"Fr. Linnane's Presidential inauguration speech declared that this year would be the Year of the City, and that he wanted Loyola to become more involved in the community," St. Mary's principal Elaine Reed said. "Since we are practically neighbors, we thought this partnership would be a great way to get Loyola more involved."

A board was then established, and the members began developing ideas for programs and projects to be phased into the

upcoming years.

The board members include Loyola administrators and faculty such as David Haddad, the vice president of Academic Affairs, Vice President to Administration Terrence Sawyer, and Dr. Victor Delclos, chair of the Education Department. Other members include St. Mary's Pastor Rev. Ed Kenny, Reed, Dr. Ronald Valenti, superintendent of the schools in the Baltimore archdiocese, Sister Barbara Spears, assistant superintendent, Linnane, and continued on page 3



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Aid from Loyola will help ensure that students at St. Mary of the Assumption School receive a quality education.

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Bernanke messing with success, critics say

By KEVIN G. HALL
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BOSTON -- During nearly two successful decades as chairman of the Federal Reserve, Alan Greenspan had a simple strategy for defining how much inflation he'd tolerate in the U.S. economy. His only target was inflation so low that average Americans didn't have to worry about it when making long-term financial decisions.

Seven months into the job, his successor, Ben Bernanke, quietly seeks a more formal target. He wants to define an inflation-tolerance zone explicitly, putting numbers on it via a controversial idea called "inflation targeting."

Inflation is the rate of rising prices across the economy. It eats away at the spending power of average Americans, especially those on fixed incomes. Many companies adjust salaries annually to offset inflation, and Social Security adjusts benefits.

Bernanke says explicit inflation targets can signal when the Fed will act to restrain inflation. Financial markets would understand, and thus the practice could reduce market volatility, which hurts everyone from corporations to well-heeled investors to ordinary Americans with 401(k) retirement plans.

But critics warn that the United States has enjoyed a quarter-century of strong economic growth with low inflation and no explicit target from the Fed. They say that Bernanke is messing with success.

Targeting inflation would work like this: The Fed would define an acceptable range for inflation, expected to be an annual rate of 1 percent to 2 percent, and would set a time period for when it hopes inflation will

reach that zone. Financial markets could expect that an inflation rate above that range would provoke a hike in interest rates to slow the economy, take the steam out of inflation and push it into the target zone. Alternatively, too-low inflation would require interest-rate cuts.

Supporters of this approach include William Poole, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of St. Louis and a voting member on the Federal Open Market Committee (FOMC), which sets the Fed's benchmark lending rate eight times a year. He likens inflation targeting to placing monetary policy on autopilot and sees its adoption as a matter of time.

Harvey Rosenblum, executive vice president and director of research for the Federal Reserve Bank of Dallas, agreed that inflation targeting is coming.

"Fairly soon, and beyond that I can't say too much," he said from the sidelines of the recent annual conference of the National Association for Business Economics.

The goal of inflation targeting, Poole said, is to reduce guessing about what the Fed will do. When analysts guess wrong, markets tend to swoon, disrupting the economy.

Critics of inflation targeting question why Bernanke would make Fed policy rigid when the two previous Fed chairmen had great success using their discretion. Inflation reached a record 13.5 percent in 1980, but Fed chairmen Paul Volcker and Alan Greenspan reined it back in and held it steady ever since.

"It seems to me that the more discretionary approach that has been used by the last two chairmen has been extremely successful. ... I'm at a loss as to why someone would want to change that



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Ben Bernanke (center) replaced Alan Greenspan (left) as Chairman of the Federal Reserve, and seven months into the job already has critics worried that his more formal inflation plan will backfire.

history," said Martin Regalia, chief economist of the U.S. Chamber of Commerce and a former Fed staff economist. "We've had five quarters of negative economic growth since 1982. ... Why is he changing what he's inherited?"

One challenge for inflation targeting is that existing inflation measures are imperfect. The consumer price index is believed to understate the importance of housing, while the Fed's favorite measure — the personal consumption expenditure price index — is subject to revision. The latest revision showed that core inflation, which strips out volatile food and energy sectors, might have sharply understated inflation over the past two years.

That's significant because had inflation targets been in place and inflation more accurately measured, it would have created expectations that the Fed would raise interest rates higher than it actually did. That surely would have slowed what has been a strong economy over the past two years. Instead, employing discretion,

the Fed followed a measured pace of 17 consecutive quarter-point rate hikes from June 2004 until pausing last month.

Minutes of the FOMC's Aug. 8 meeting show that internal debate on inflation targeting has begun and will resume at the Oct. 24-25 meeting. Over the summer, the Fed created a committee to study communication, since the topic really deals with managing financial-market expectations.

"Although considerable strides had been made in FOMC communications over the past 10 years or so, participants generally thought that further advances were possible," the minutes said, in a veiled reference to inflation targeting.

Many economists expect the Fed to adopt formal inflation targets by the end of 2007, similar to those used by Great Britain, New Zealand and many other countries.

Bernanke, meantime, is stacking the deck in his favor. He quietly pushed for the successful nomination and confirmation of Columbia University economist and ally Frederic Mishkin to the Fed's seven-member board of governors.

Common Text events continue for another week

Events relating to this year's Common Text, *The Travels of a T-Shirt in the Global Economy: An Economist Examines the Markets, Power, and Politics of World Trade* are still underway until Sunday, Oct. 1.

The "Don't give us a T-shirt", organized by the Evergreen staff and the class of 2010 is still continuing until Sunday, Oct. 1. The donation drive is collecting toiletries, school supplies, and food, all of which will go to local Baltimore charities.

Pietra Rivoli, author of *The Travels of a T-Shirt in the Global Economy*, will speak at the College on today at 4:30 p.m. in McGuire Hall. Rivoli, a Professor of Finance at Georgetown University, discusses groups across the globe involved in the manufacturing and distributing of clothing, considers the issues ties to subsidies, tax breaks, and forced price warfare.

Simeon Walunas, DJ behind, "Shut Up! I'm on the Radio", features local undiscovered, and up-and-coming local acts like Wzt Hearts, Television Hill, and The Death Set.

Corrections

In the Sept. 6 issue of *The Greyhound*, it was incorrectly reported that WLOY raised \$9,445.83 for Xavier University in Louisiana. The actual amount raised was \$10,445.83. *The Greyhound* regrets this error.

NEWSBRIEFS

WLOY receives Best of Baltimore Award

WLOY received the *City Paper* Best of Baltimore Award for Best Local Radio Show for its "Shut Up! I'm on the Radio" broadcasting every Friday from 11 a.m. to noon.

The editors of the *City Paper* selected WLOY's show over those on more than 30 professional, licensed broadcast radio stations in the Baltimore market for featuring local music.

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Campus Police Blotter

Selected excerpts from reports

Sunday, Sept. 17

At 12:20 a.m. a campus police officer was dispatched to the west side of Newman Towers for a possible sick person. The desk assistant called campus police after a non-student visitor stated to her that he needed to go to the hospital and he wanted his stomach pumped because he didn't want to die. Once the officer arrived the visitor was gone. He was located on the Cold Spring Lane side of Newman Towers. The officer asked if he needed any help and he stated the exact same thing he told the desk assistant. A medic was called and the visitor was transported to Union Memorial Hospital.

Friday, Sept. 18

A campus police officer responded to the Student Life office at 1:03 p.m. concerning a student assault the previous night. Student Life told campus police that a resident of Campion Tower came into the office to report being assaulted. BCPD were requested and arrived, and an interview was conducted with the victim. The victim stated that she walked over to get something from her car and was assaulted at 12 a.m. She stated that the suspect came up behind her pressing his front into her back side. She went on to say, "When I turned around, he slapped me in my face. After a brief struggle, I kicked him, which allowed me the chance to run." She ended her statement by saying that she ran to Primo's, and after getting herself together called her mom. The lot where the incident took place is privately owned and is not a well-lit area.

Friday, Sept. 22

Campus police were dispatched to Campion Tower for a fire alarm at 4:49 p.m. There was heavy smoke on the third floor. One room was completely filled with smoke and flames could be seen in the kitchen near the oven. A campus police officer looked closer, realized he couldn't put the flames out, made sure no students were in the room and left. BCFD found burnt tater tots in the oven but said the fire was under the oven in the broiler. A hair straightener in the room was also found left on, on top of combustible material. A resident of the room stated that she opened the oven and attempted to put out the flames with the extinguisher in the kitchen. She had no idea how the straightener got turned on or who left it on. It was discovered that the fire originated in the broiler when a stack of oven mitts and kitchen towels caught fire. The student stated, "I thought that was a storage area."

-compiled by Mary Scott

Core curriculum undergoes examination

By VERONICA WHITE
STAFF WRITER

The Core Review Committee is issuing a student survey and starting a portfolio project to find out how well students are achieving the Core Curriculum's goals.

The committee, which consists of one administrator and 10 faculty members from different divisions of the College, has been assessing the Core for about two years to compile a list of goals. The Academic Senate passed the committee's goals last fall.

Now that general ideas are set, the committee is creating a list of learning aims for each division of the Core to present to the Academic Senate within the next month.

By delving into the different academic areas and working with students, the committee hopes to figure out if students are accomplishing the Core's goals and if this helps them achieve their own goals.

This year is the first time the committee is reaching out to students.

"The plan is to survey a sample of students from each class about how they think they are developing in a variety of areas. The committee has been working with the psychology department to create an effective survey, which will be finalized at a committee meeting soon.

Many students already have certain opinions of the Core based on their experience.

"The Core is useful because students take a variety of courses which helps them figure out their major, but it's excessive to have to take two classes in certain

departments," said junior Meghan Gloth.

The other plan is to start a portfolio project in which student volunteers look at the work they have done in the Core to find evidence of success in their learning aims.

"For example, a student might receive a high grade on a research paper because of improved writing ability; or a student may work through differences and make a good presentation on a group project," said Frank Cunningham, committee Chairman and philosophy professor.

The project will require about 30 to 50 students and 10 faculty members.

"We want to make it a kind of dialogue (between faculty and students) rather than a one-way street," said Buckley.

In order to cultivate such dialogue, students and faculty will soon receive an e-mail offering monetary rewards to those who decide to volunteer for the project.

The Core curriculum is known to be Loyola's key to academic excellence. The aims are not just academic, but developmental and attitudinal as well. The goals include helping students develop skills in critical thinking and leadership and promoting awareness and knowledge of diversity and justice.

The Core Review Committee hopes to finish working with students by the end of next semester.

The members will review the survey and portfolio results over the summer and fall of 2007.

Any recommended changes will be debated in the spring of 2008 and the soonest that changes would take effect is in the fall of 2009.

Freshmen gear up for first SGA elections

By LIZZIE MCQUILLAN
STAFF WRITER

Beginning on Wednesday, Sept. 27 at 12 a.m. the freshman class of 2010 will have their first opportunity to vote for both a class president and Student Government assembly members. The polls will be open on Blackboard until Thursday, Sept. 28 at 3 p.m.

As usual, the students are allowed to vote for a class president and eight assembly members.

In order to run for the positions the students were required to collect multiple signatures from their fellow classmates, 75 for assembly and 150 for the presidency. All materials were due in the student activities office last week.

According to senior Peter Flynn, the director of Student Affairs, the participation was slightly lower than previous years, with only two hopeful class presidents and 10 assembly members. However, SGA president Mike Hardy did not appear concerned with the drop in candidate numbers.

"There are always a vast amount of opportunities to get involved with student government," Hardy stated. "I'd always like for more involvement in SGA, but if the freshmen feel more compelled to participate in other forms of government, they should do what they enjoy."

Although there are fewer candidates, Hardy insisted that it will still require hard

work and dedication to win the election.

"Both positions will take a large amount of face to face campaigning," said Hardy, implying that going door to door will be necessity in the winning the election.

Although both of the platforms for presidency are unique, the candidates promise to work to unify the class and make their first year at Loyola one to remember.

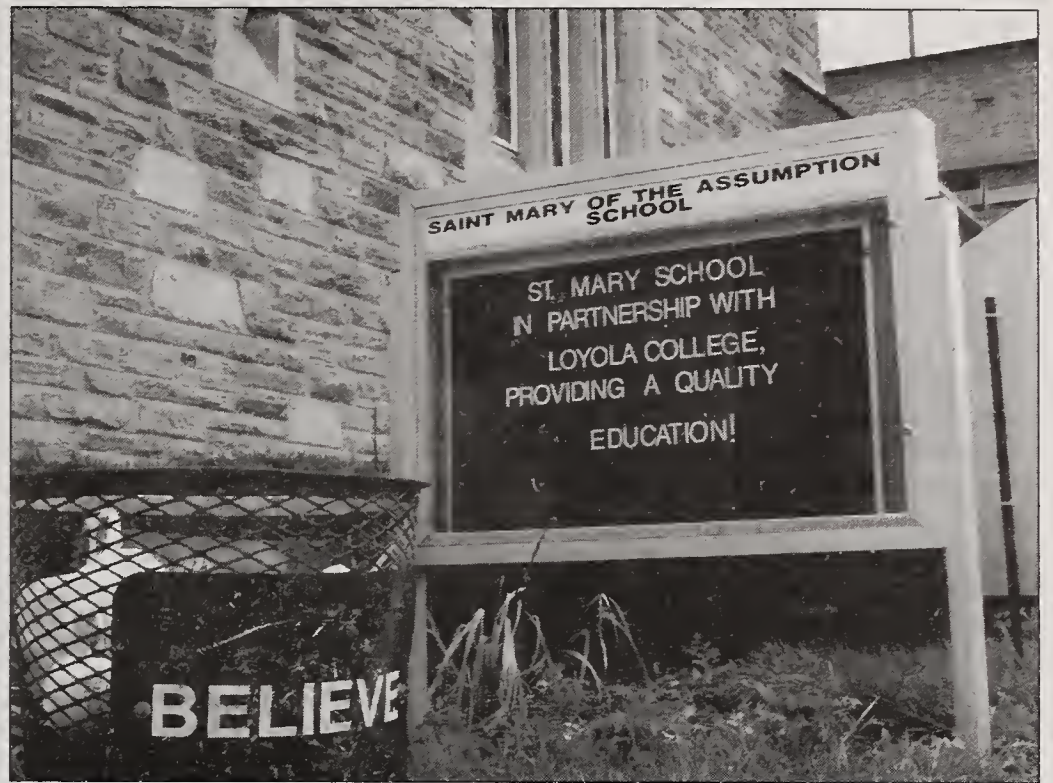
Despite common misconceptions, Hardy verifies the fact that no previous experience in student government is required for either position. "It's a great opportunity to get a first taste of SGA," he furthers.

Both Flynn and Hardy agree that the student government is full of cabinet members that can be a great resource.

Some attributes that Hardy believes are important to the Student Government Association include dedication and a love for Loyola. He insists that it is important for all members to understand that their job is to serve the college community. According to Hardy, in order to be a good leader, those elected must be selfless, and willing to reach out to their classmates as well as Loyola as a whole.

"It's a way to give back," adds Flynn, who hopes to see the freshman voting percentage stay consistent with past years.

"Usually the [freshman voting] participation is better than general," he states. "Normally around 70 percent if the freshman class votes, I don't expect this year to be different."



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Goals of the schools' partnership include increasing enrollment, enhancing existing programs, raising funds, and generally improving St. Mary's image in the greater Baltimore area.

Partnership to benefit St. Mary's Assumption

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Madden.

Reed and Pastor Kenny appropriately set the ultimate goals of the partnership. They hope to increase enrollment, work on fundraising from the parish and alumni, enhance the existing programs and keep the school filled with up to date equipment

"Academic and extra-curricular programs and a re-development of the technology at the school are among the many action plans that have been considered since last spring," Reed said.

Athletics and fine arts programs will also be implemented, and there will be marketing and public relations aid so the school can improve their image in the Govans as well as the greater Baltimore community.

Other services for parents and teachers of St. Mary's have also been discussed, such as discounted clinical services at Loyola's speech and hearing clinic in Belvedere Square and sponsoring of the re-certification of the school's teachers.

"This was a great way to do something preventative for those Catholic inner city schools that don't have the affluent suburbs for resources," Linnane said. "This is to help the people at St. Mary's and to be a real learning opportunity for the people of

the Loyola community."

Volunteers from Loyola have been sent to help with after school care and tutoring programs, and various forms of reading and testing assessments have been developed to help the students. Many of these programs are looking to be implemented over the next few years.

One action plan that has already begun is the Saturday Scholar Literacy Program at Loyola's clinic in Belvedere Square. Every Saturday, from the end of October to the end of April, St. Mary's students can go to the clinic and improve their reading and language skills.

Also at the school, are pre-k and kindergarten screenings for potential speech, language and hearing problems.

"This has been very beneficial for us, and the Board continues to meet regularly to improve and phase in the programs," Reed said.

"For me, what was exciting was how many Loyola people signed on to the project," Linnane said. "This is a situation that we want to continue, because there are benefits to both sides. Inner city Parish schools are lifelines to caring environments, and we want to ensure that St. Mary's will thrive throughout the future."



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Volunteers from Loyola are helping with after school care, and tutoring programs. Every Saturday starting at the end of Oct., St. Mary's students can go to Loyola's clinic in Belvedere Square to improve literacy skills.

Relationship between LC, neighbors improving

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and the entities around it," said Vice President to Administration, Terry Sawyer.

According to Joan Flynn, special assistant to the vice president of Administration, the most common sources of friction between Loyola and its neighbors are parking and student behavior.

"Student hours, even those of the most well-intended students, are different from a family close to school. There are going to be issues of noise and student activity," said Sawyer.

Jenny Kaurinky, a resident of Winston Avenue for the past 15 years, said that student noise has definitely been an issue at times.

"It used to be that on any night when the weather was warm, we could count on students walking down the street being loud and disruptive, although things have improved in recent years," said Kaurinky.

they're going to get drunk. I don't really hear much of it though, and so it doesn't really bother me any more at my age."

"It doesn't take many to create the perception that every Loyola student is up at 3 a.m. and loud and boisterous," said Sawyer. "Those are the ones they remember, even though they represent only a small minority of our campus."

One of the most common complaints focus on parking. Many people in the surrounding neighborhoods do not have drive ways, and so they park on the street.

"If a student parks in front of someone's house, than the resident may have to park blocks away, and they are essentially displacing that resident," said Flynn.

One of the most pressing concerns for neighbors, particularly those with small children, is the issue of students speeding down neighborhood roads.

"Some of these students come down the street at 30 or 34 miles an hour which is insane," said Murphy, who is raising her seven-year-old granddaughter. "We don't let the neighborhood kids ride their bikes on my side of the street because the sidewalk is so close to the road."

Despite the complaints students and College officials hear, many neighborhood residents see Loyola as a grounding force in the community.

"The other neighborhoods around the College

are not ghetto, but this one could be ghetto if the College moved," said Murphy.

Ruth Henry, 35, even feels that living so near the campus is a safety booster.

"I think Loyola's presence with the cars and bikes helps with safety, a little preventative measure so to say," said Henry, who moved from Charles Village to Winston Avenue in 1995 with her husband because they found certain aspects of living near a college appealing.

Despite the positive way many residents view the College, talk of neighborhood complaints leaves many students with mixed feelings about the surrounding neighborhoods.

"From my own personal experiences, seeing neighbors outside walking their dogs, they always seem pretty welcoming. But at the same time we are always hearing about complaints which can make it seem like they don't really like us," said senior Jennie Zohorsky.

Kaurinky sees the relationship between Loyola and her neighborhood as give and take.

"This past summer, either Loyola or Notre Dame had a sponsored event outside. Some people in my neighborhood complained about the noise, and I was actually upset," said Kaurinky. "The students are respectful all year, so what's one night?"

"You're only hearing from the people who are complaining, and I would say the majority of residents

don't have any problems," said Murphy.

Ann Sloane, 55, has lived near the College since 1979 and feels that any negatives to living near the College have been outweighed by the positives.

"There's an atmosphere of a neighborhood here that I felt growing up and never really thought I'd be able to give my kids," said Sloane.

Longtime neighbors of the College have been quick to say that their relationship with the College has improved over the years, citing changes in administration as the reason why. Sloane says that in the past,



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The College signed a 10 year agreement with its neighbors last year.

Loyola would simply announce its plans to the neighborhood, but now the neighbors are a part of the decision process.

Administrators from the College, including Sawyer and Flynn meet with the NBNA every month to discuss what is going on around campus, when certain events are

taking place, such as move-in day, and to update them on the status of ongoing construction projects.

"I think that

we as an institution have been very responsive when they express concerns, and I think they have been very open to our issues on campus, particularly when it comes to construction," said Sawyer.

Despite what neighbors see as an improvement in the delicate relationship between the College and them, it will always require some tending to.

"Loyola's problem has been and always will be is that they're landlocked. They're always going to spill into neighbors and there will always be certain issues between the two groups," said Sloane.

“There's an atmosphere of a neighborhood here that I felt growing up and never really felt I'd be able to give my kids.”

-Ann Sloane



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"No Loyola Parking" signs are a common sight in all neighborhoods bordering the Evergreen campus.

"I think a lot of the noise is when students get drunk," said Betty Murphy, who has lived near the College since 1932. "If they stayed sober they wouldn't make all that noise. We know



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The 4th Annual Diane Geppi-Aikens 5k Memorial Race was held on Saturday morning. Left: Michael and Jessica Aikens, students at Loyola and children of Geppi-Aikens take part in the Memorial Walk. Top: Competitors race through campus. Bottom: The women's lacrosse team wears shirts they made for the event to honor their late coach.



Changes decrease campus waste, increase recycling

BY JESSICA HENDERSON
STAFF WRITER

Loyola College has taken several steps this year to increase on-campus recycling and reduce waste, including adding more recycling receptacles to campus, switching waste companies, and making changes in its dining halls.

The greatest factor in Loyola's environmental focus has been the switch to a waste management company with a more comprehensive recycling system. Waste Management signed a contract with Loyola last year, providing the College with a single-stream program. This means that recyclables do not need to be separated. In addition, Waste Management recycles nearly everything: cans, bottles, paper, cardboard, and every grade of plastic.

"In the past we had to separate bottles from cans and paper from cardboard. Now everything goes into one container....They pick it up and take it to their recycling processing plant where they separate the various types of recycling materials," said Charles Riordan, the director of Facilities.

Waste Management also allows Loyola College to recycle a wider range of waste.

"You can recycle plastics one through seven, including Primo's cups, containers, even the styrofoam containers from the soup and frozen yogurt," says senior Liz LaBarbera, student recycling coordinator.

In April, May, and June 2006, Loyola College recycled 98.2 tons of material,

which was 20.4 percent of the total waste (481 tons). Riordan wants to increase that percentage to 25 percent or greater.

"I'm honestly convinced that with this new single-stream recycling that we should be able to recycle well above 25 percent," says Riordan.

Loyola Facilities has increased the number of recycling bins on campus. There are new bins on the Quad marked "Cans and Bottles." With single stream recycling, students can also place plastics and paper in them.

Loyola Facilities also plans to distribute bins to students.

"It'll be a seven-gallon bin and it'll be in every bedroom and each kitchen throughout campus...In general, that's what we're working on," said LaBarbera.

Roots and Shoots, Loyola's environmental club, will be painting the larger recycling bins blue to distinguish them from the dumpsters.

Changes are also taking place at Boulder Gardens and Primo's. "We're now recycling cardboard, about 98 percent of it, from orders and deliveries that come in. We're now recycling more 1 and 2 plastics," says Shelley Ledger, the Manager of Boulder Gardens.

Dining facilities on campus began selling Nalgene bottles to reduce the number of plastic

cups used. Nalgene bottles are \$7.99 and each refill is \$0.99.

"It's been effective. We've sold about 300 to 400 in a month and a half," says Ledger. Students and faculty can also refill their own plastic cups and coffee mugs for \$0.99.

Students receive a discount of 10 to 15 cents on purchases at Boulder Gardens if they bring their own plate.

Students are excited about the

changes on campus.

"I think it's amazing. I can't believe that now you can recycle all of those things. I think it's important that all of the students know about it," says Meghan Krumholz, a sophomore.

"I'm really excited about all of the new recycling changes they made. I think it's great that our campus is becoming more green," said sophomore Caitlin Enz.



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The College has switched waste management companies to allow for a more comprehensive recycling program that allows all recyclables to be combined.



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Alpha classes visited the Korean Festival located at City Hall on Saturday in celebration of Asian Heritage Month.

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LC students return to normalcy after coup

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students are housed. Classes resumed on Thursday.

Despite a bloodless military coup being staged just a few miles from the dorm building the students called home, the mood on Tuesday night was far from the anxiety one might expect to feel during a sudden overthrow of the government. Instead, the atmosphere was closer to excited interest.

"I was kind of surprised," said junior Caroline Scott. "But I wasn't really nervous."

Arlee Trembley, also a junior added: "Since coming here, we've learned to be patient with things that happen in Thailand. We just wait to see how things work out before worrying about anything."

While initial news reports on the coup reported chaos in Bangkok, the reality of the situation appeared to be much different in the streets of the capital. Loyola's program director observed that there was little indication of fear among Thais about the coup.

"People went down to the government house where there were tanks and the soldiers were armed, and they took pictures with their cell phones," said Nash, who has been leading the Loyola Bangkok program for 15 years. "The very next day people went out and gave flowers to the soldiers. It was a holiday, people were enjoying themselves."

The coup was led by Commander-in-Chief of the Army Gen. Sondhi Boonyaratkalin while the Prime Minister Thaksin

Shinawatra was in New York for a meeting of the U.N. Thaksin declared a state of emergency from New York on Thai television before he was cut off. Later on, Gen. Sondhi was shown on television meeting with King Bhumibol, seemingly indicating that the coup had his blessing.

Although the constitutional Monarch has little political power, his influence with the people of Thailand makes him arguably the most powerful

man in the country. The calm atmosphere in Bangkok following the coup might be attributed to the fact that the King was seen meeting with Gen. Sondhi, along with the army's wearing of yellow ribbons as a symbol of loyalty to the Monarchy.

These events came at a time of heightened political uncertainty in Thailand. The now deposed Prime Minister was at the center of a six month political stalemate after an April election in which his Thai Rak Thai party who won by an overwhelming majority was declared void by the Thailand's constitutional court.

Despite wide criticism and growing unrest for his policies in Bangkok, Thaksin en-

joyed over-whelming support in the poor North and Northeast regions of Thailand, and he continued to run the country and engage in political battles with his opponents. Violence was feared if Thaksin continued his role in Thai politics past the new election which was scheduled for early October.

This was the first coup in Thailand for 15 years — the last being in 1992. Since Thailand

became a constitutional monarchy in 1932, there have been 18 coups. Despite this seeming set back for democracy in Thailand, people are remaining

“For the first time that I can see, the Thai military has staged a coup, not because of their own interests, but because of their love for their nation, and their love for the king.”

-Fr. Francis Nash

optimistic.

"For the first time that I can see, the Thai military has staged a coup, not because of their own interests, but because of their love for the nation, and their love for the King," said Nash.

However, though the military intervention was peaceful, Nash expressed concern for its possible poor effect on the Loyola, Bangkok program, this year already one of the lowest for student applications.

Two days after the coup, students were back

planning trips and studying for upcoming finals. Businesses and banks are back open. Gen. Sondhi announced that he would appoint a new prime minister within two weeks.

Nash made one observation on the nature of government in Thailand: "Since 1932 there have been 18 coups, but throughout it Thailand has always remained remarkably stable."

-John Dougherty contributed to this article.

Thailand at a glance

Previously known as Siam

The word *Thai* means "Freedom"

Capital: Bangkok

Official Language: Thai

Population: 65,000,000

Currency: Baht

GDP: \$560.7 billion

MBA students more likely to cheat, survey finds

BY STACY BURLING
THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER

PHILADELPHIA -- When it comes to cheating in graduate school, a new study finds that MBA students are the champs.

A survey of 5,331 students at 32 graduate schools in the United States and Canada found an "alarming" amount of cheating across disciplines, but more among the nation's future business leaders. Fifty-six percent of graduate business students admitted they had cheated at least once in the last year, compared with 47 percent of non-business students.

The students, who were surveyed between 2002 and 2004, told researchers from Pennsylvania State, Rutgers and Washington State universities that the most important reason for cheating was that they thought that other students were doing it.

"People tend to do what they think other people are doing," said Linda Klebe Trevino, one of the researchers and a professor of organizational behavior at Penn State's Smeal College of Business. "The fact that other people are doing it creates an environment where this is normative."

The study asked about 13 different types of cheating, ranging from copying a classmate's test answers to lifting sentences from the Internet without attribution.

The results come amid a growing list of corporate ethics scandals, including faulty accounting to boost earnings, and, more recently, the backdating of stock options grants, a tactic that makes executive pay even more lucrative. While there is no proof that students who would cheat on a test might later cheat stockholders, the researchers said it made sense that people who would bend one rule might bend another.

In light of the scandals, area business schools have been beefing up their ethics education.

Penn State is trying out a business school honors code this year as part of its attempt to foster a "community of honor and trust," Trevino said. "We're really trying to do a culture change and embed this."

To discourage cheating, Temple University's Fox School of Business makes cell phones and laptops off limits during tests. Students are also told that computer software will check their papers for plagiarism, said Debbie Campbell, assistant dean for undergraduate programs.

When asked about the study, the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School pointed to its ethics code, which forbids students from using "any dishonest method to gain an unfair advantage over other students in academic pursuits."

At St. Joseph's University, the Academic Honesty Board, which hears complaints about cheating, has proposed that the school form a commission whose sole job would be to promote academic integrity, said Bill McDevitt, a business law professor who is chairman of the board.

Several studies have found that undergraduate business students are more inclined to cheat than others, but this is the first to report on graduate students at multiple schools, Trevino



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said. The study, released Monday, has been accepted for publication by the Academy of Management Learning and Education, she said.

In the graduate-school survey, business students were more likely than students in different fields to work with others on written assignments when they had been told explicitly to work alone, and to use "cut and paste plagiarism," or snippets of uncited information from the Internet.

Business students were also more likely to find out about a test from a fellow student who had taken it, a problem professors could remedy by giving different versions of the test, the authors said.

Why business students would cheat more than others is a matter of conjecture. Trevino said it might be that students who were drawn to business school were more self-interested or

bottom-line-oriented. Some studies also suggest that business school, with its emphasis on the free market and maximization of shareholder value, changes student attitudes.

Donald McCabe, a management professor at Rutgers who led the study, said one reason business students might cheat more is that they were more likely to encounter questions they could answer with one word or number, not an essay. "Compared to many of the other disciplines, if you can glance over and see somebody else's test or exam, there's a high premium for that," he said.

The "more important and more discouraging" explanation he hears from students is that "they're just emulating the behavior they see out in the business world." There, they say, "it doesn't matter how you get it done. The key thing is to get it done."

Federal drug law can rob students of financial aid

By MEG PACE
DAILY MISSISSIPPIAN

OXFORD, Miss. -- Another move to fight the war on drugs may be keeping some potential college students out of the institution of their choice.

A little known federal law can revoke federal financial aid a student receives if he or she is convicted of using, possessing or selling illegal drugs, thus keeping some students dependent on financial aid out of college.

"I don't think that's unfair," said Marion Keyes, a sophomore at the University of Mississippi. "One person can [use drugs] one time and get caught. There's so many people that [use drugs] a lot and don't ever get caught."

Since its enactment in 2002, more than 200,000 college-bound students have lost their financial aid after receiving a drug conviction.

"Financial aid can be used as an enforcement," Director of Financial Aid at Ole Miss Laura Diven-Brown said.

Students for Sensible Drug Policy, an activist group based in Washington, D.C., is working to overturn the law and has chapters on more than 70 college campuses.

"Since most students rely on financial aid, they're forced to drop out because they can't pay for it," said Tom Angell, campaigns director for SSDP.

Angell argues that the law causes more drug abuse, not less.

"Murders and rapists can still receive

financial aid but a student caught with one marijuana cigarette is automatically denied," Angell said.

Some revisions have been made to the law since its initial inception.

"Several people have really come forward as activists for these students," Diven-Brown said.

Those opposing the law have made the argument that students with drug problems need college to help them become productive citizens and the financial aid would help them do that, Diven-Brown said. A student may now become re-eligible for their financial rewards if they have completed an approved rehabilitation program.

"We'll be able to help more of these students while still maintaining an accountability for behavior," Diven-Brown said.

SSDP recently filed a class action lawsuit with the American Civil Liberties Union to challenge the law's constitutionality. The lawsuit was filed in March and SSDP is continuing to look for more people who have had financial aid revoked.

Lafayette County Sheriff Buddy East said that he was not familiar with the law and could not give any comment pertaining to it.

A spokesperson for the University Police Department could not be reached after several attempts.

For more information on the lawsuit and SSDP visit <http://www.ssdp.org/lawsuit> or <http://www.schoolsnotprisons.com>.

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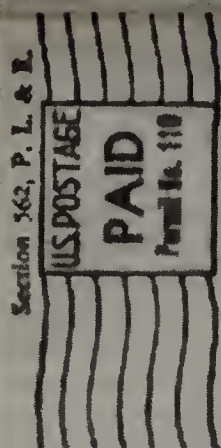
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Lessons abound abroad

With last week's military coup in Bangkok occurring so close to the residences of Loyola's study abroad program in Thailand, many questions about the safety of international travel face parents, administrators, and students. *The Greyhound* is clearly thankful that all of the students are safe. Given that, these students have the luxury to realize how valuable their current situation is in furthering their worldly education.

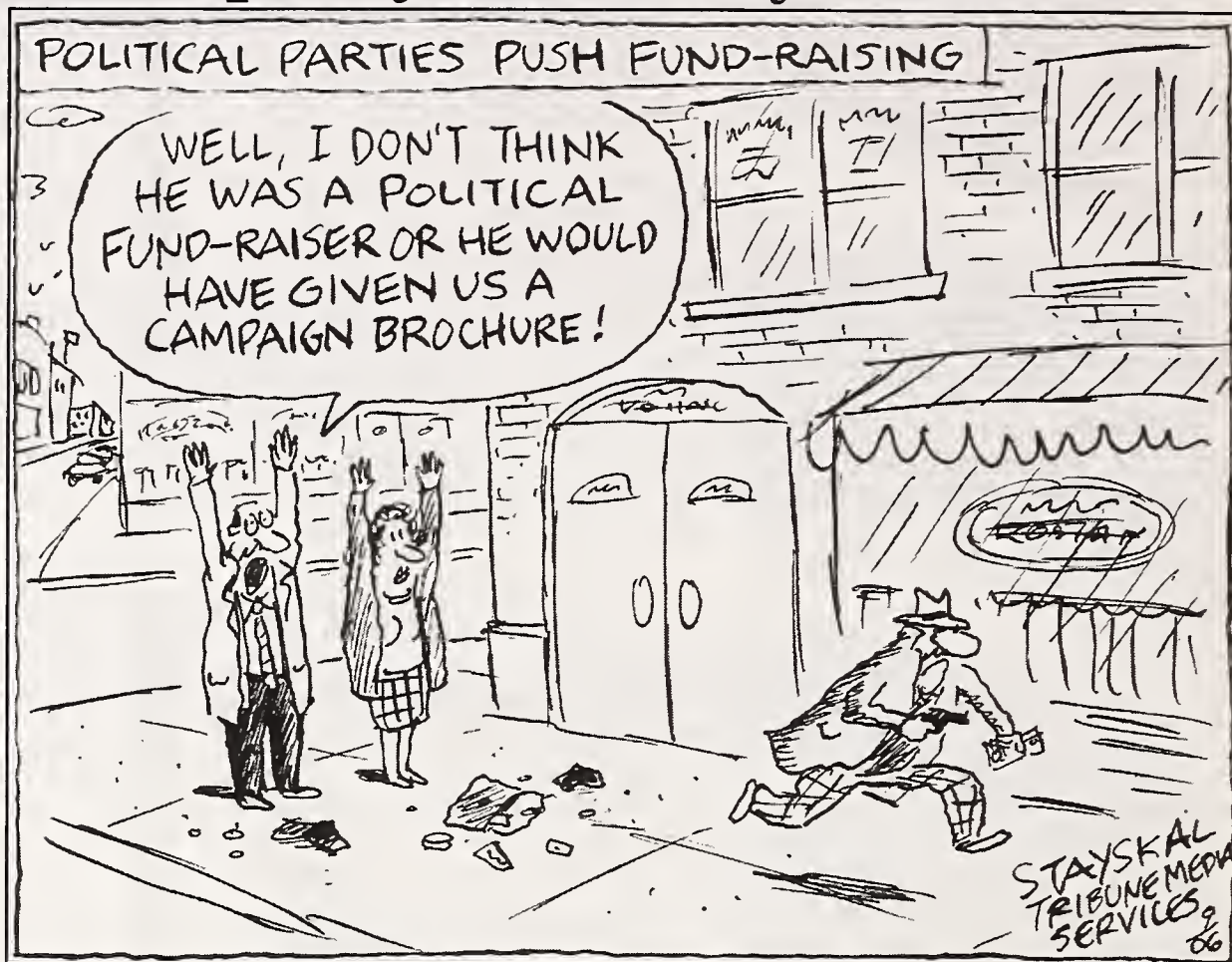
Among the reasons for going abroad is increased exposure to other cultures, an element of which -- in some areas of the world -- is tenuous political situations that lack stability. Thailand especially fits this category. The nation in southeast Asia has experienced numerous coup attempts in the past and its southern region has experienced troubles with Islamic extremism.

This is not the first time Loyola students have been in danger while studying abroad. The riots in Copenhagen last year after Danish newspapers reproduced images of Mohammed, were in the train station bombing in Madrid in 2004, and the Muslim rioting in Paris last spring all placed Loyola students in dangerous situations.

Studying abroad is an opportunity of enormous potential, but there are risks involved that students must implicitly accept. Many times, these risks offer perhaps the greatest rewards. Living under such fortunate circumstances in America, even the troubles of urban life sometimes pale in comparison with troubles around the world. While dangerous, experiences with political instability afford students a chance to change their perceptions of the world around them.

The Loyola community was indeed fortunate not to have suffered any harm as a result of the coup in Thailand, but for the reasons mentioned above, students should not be swayed against opting to study abroad in the future, be it in Thailand or any other country. Similarly, these students must realize the extent of their responsibility while studying in another nation. While Loyola would surely hope to provide their students with a safe learning environment, each potential student-traveler must realize that security is an elusive goal, and sometimes far less attainable overseas.

■ The party thanks you



Intra-party feud a worthy cause

It is understandable why Republicans feel a bit shaky lately. They have a lot to lose, this

DANIEL KEENAN

being an election year. With their president's approval numbers waning, an unpopular war dragging on, and so many congressional seats up for grabs, an intra-party conflict is the last thing that the GOP needs on its plate. However, they have gotten just that. Senator Lindsey Graham (R-SC) is making waves on Capital Hill in his case against President Bush's tactics for interrogating terror suspects abroad and at Guantanamo Bay. Graham is trailblazing past his fellow senators on the right and challenging Bush's "interpretation" of the Geneva Convention regarding detainees.

In a recent *Time Magazine* article, Graham stated strongly that he maintains his belief that by detaining prisoners or suspects and trying them without their awareness of the evidence against them, as the president would like to see done, is not only wrong, but illogical, in that, if we continue to follow such procedure, our

enemies would do the same to any captured American.

Along with this issue, Graham had also put Bush in the hot seat in 2004, when he insisted that questions be answered among the chain of command when the Abu Ghraib Prison scandal leaked out, an event that still has not left the minds of many Americans.

So as the Republicans tip-toe around the issue of torture and strategize their re-election campaigns around terrorism, where do we go from here?

With criticism stemming from the wiretapping and electronic surveillance, interrogation issues are just more headaches for the Bush Administration. But interrogation is a big one, especially when it goes too far.

Torturing a detainee has moral implications and calls to question the actual effectiveness of attaining information. Gathering evidence and information is crucial to the support of our national security -- that is a given. But I have to call into question the method in which authorities arrive at this valuable information (if it can always be called that). And if the chain of command has made it so that a discrepancy now exists

as to how a detainee is treated, or what he or she is made aware of, then the U.S. military and government has a legal and ethical dilemma.

I support the U.S. government's mission to make this nation safer, but not if it means de-humanizing a detainee. There seems to be this belief that torture as a means of interrogation is the most effective method simply because it appears to be the quickest.

I wholeheartedly disagree. Why level ourselves with those who publish on the Internet beheadings and executions?

With the memory of Abu Ghraib Prison and the constant bombardment of stories flooding the media about the conduct surrounding detainees and their rights down at Guantanamo Bay, all I do is wonder how effective the chain of command really is at enforcing the fact that these "combatants" are also humans. And although they may not be Americans, they have to know their rights (and have them respected), they must know the evidence against them, and they must be treated well if we want the information that we assume will come from them to be valid.

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POLL QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

What did you think of the pope's comments that the Islamic religion is violent and "evil"? (More on p. 9)

- Though poorly chosen, the pope was attempting to make a valid political point
- It was a biggoted and inappropriate remark.
- In today's prejudiced world, why should this particular comment garner such heated reaction?
- Don't know/Don't care

Last Issue's poll: (Results not scientific)

As sports seasons start to heat up, what will you be watching?

- NFL - For the next 16 weeks, Sundays are holidays, baby! (41%)
- MLB - should be an exciting stretch run! (31%)
- Can't beat college sports - go Hounds! (17%)
- Um...does Sex and the City count? (10%)

A threat to diplomacy: Pope's prose poses danger

In the world of international diplomacy, the Vatican has always been a strong example of effectiveness. Indeed, the world would be a very different place had it not been for impeccable Vatican diplomacy behind the scenes in who knows how many instances.

A.J. OLESH

That's why I was absolutely shocked when Pope Benedict XVI made what might have been the worst oversight of his papacy to date in a lecture he gave Sept. 12 as part of his apostolic journey to Bavaria.

The Pope was giving a lecture to certain 'representatives of science' at the University of Regensburg when he made what could prove to be a fatal error. In this lecture, he quoted a statement made by one of the Byzantine emperors during the era of the siege of 1394-1402. The Pope quoted the emperor as saying, "Show me just what Mohammed brought that was new, and there you will find things only evil and inhuman, such as his command to spread by the sword the faith he preached."

Yeah, I know. Anyone with a remote grasp on world events would have thought twice about making that statement. I just can't believe that someone as internationally connected as the Bishop of Rome would say something in that forum that would cause such a reaction.

What reaction, you ask?

In case you live in a hole, everyone in the Muslim world responded in varying degrees of hysteria. The responses ranged from a disappointed but controlled reproach to riots and burning effigies. One Indian deemed the statement, "more derogatory

than the Danish cartoonist's blasphemous sketches on the Prophet (IBN)." Whether the Pope's words affected everyone that way is uncertain, but the fact is that it had those effects on some. He should have known better.

The Pope was totally out of line in bringing up such a quote because his office demands of him to be more responsible. You mean to tell me that Benedict, with an

about faith and reason and theology in the university. There is no logical place to add such a citation to enhance the address. He had to have known better.

I mean, this is the former prefect of the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith. He contributed to the writing of Vatican II. One would think that this man, above anyone else, would know the extreme importance of careful wording in matters

fair, that's the way it is. It comes with the office. I guess it's another one of those 'great power, great responsibility' things.

Anyway, the Pope extended an apology in his weekly Angelus, but it may be too late for the Pope and for his diplomatic career. If, by the grace of God, nobody is angry enough to act personally against the Holy Father, the whole Islamic world might be aloof to "that genuine dialogue of cultures and religions so urgently needed today," the topic the Pope's address.

It's hard to say how the world will react to the Holy Father in the future, but this careless rhetorical tool might have colored that reaction in a way that will severely hamper any further efforts at positive dialogue and diplomacy.

I hate to say it, but this looks to have been a real papal bad call.



Above, Pope Benedict XVI blesses a nun during his Ceremony of Investiture last year. The Pope has garnered recent criticism for comments that may pose a danger to the Church.

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academic background that can only be described as extensive, could not have found a relevant quote that would have produced all the same effects sans igniting the Muslim world? The rest of the lecture had nothing to do with Islam at all. It was

from the Church that affect the rest of the world. Some might retort that it was just a university lecture, not an ex-cathedra declaration, but that doesn't matter. When you are the Pope, everything you say has global implications. Whether or not this is

Nothing real about reality TV -- except its mind-numbing effects

As was chronicled, ironically, in a new television show on NBC entitled "Studio 60," American television has been on a steady crash course of self destruction in recent years. The foreseeable result, it

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appears, may be a collapse of values and a birth of what might as well be dubbed basic cable pornography (in a figurative sense of course -- actual pornography won't be allowed on television for at least three years).

Gone are the days of intelligent water cooler chit-chat about...er...current events, and here to stay are the days of arguments over which young vixen Flavor Flav should try to seduce on next week's episode of "Taste of Trashiness."

So where exactly has all the good television gone? The days when families would gather around the TV set with a mere eight channels and some enlightening programming? Those times seem to have devolved into nights of moms and dads fussing over the parental controls on their remotes, shielding their children from the

garbage strewn about the numerous networks.

But everyone watches this trash. We all have our own guilty pleasures and probably are more apt to watch "Real World 72: Battle of the Washed-Up Has-Been Reality TV Stars" then to sit down and read the newspaper, or, God forbid, find a happy medium and watch the news. Has society -- especially younger society -- really become so apathetic that major political events and global happenings are no longer of interest? It seems that a great majority of college students choose to bother not with trivial happenings like the foreign military overthrow of a government or inane military strategies of our commander in chief, but instead with important phrases like "Ten-All-You-Can" and "pack me another bowl."

But it is by no means the fault of these college students for being so wrapped up in these trifling matters. I put the blame almost exclusively on television.

Save for a few well-written diamonds in the rough and the occasional unfiltered news broadcast, television simply does not

offer any real, worthwhile substance anymore. Producers have come up with an insulting formula that produces hypnotic garbage which, for all intents and purposes, has plagued society with a false sense of reality.

Reality television isn't real. It's scripted and foreigners who watch Americans "being real" on these

shows have every right to believe that we're a rude, obnoxious, selfish, and obstinate nation.

These shows dominate the nightly lineups of virtually every major network, and

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that is exactly the source of the problem. Options simply don't exist. Channel surfing has essentially been worn down to choosing a lesser of two evils, and this is depressing.

So if the options cannot be found on the various networks, where are we to look for real, critical substance in this so-called age of information?

Well, for starters, books and newspapers have lasted centuries; can't we keep them alive, at least for a little while longer?

The Internet is doing pretty well too -- I think, believe-it-or-not, there may even exist a few sites besides Facebook and CollegeHumor. Why don't we try looking there?

Honestly, with the exception of sports, "Seinfeld," "Entourage," "24," and the news -- only two of which are broadcasted year round -- I don't watch television. Sure, three of those shows might be considered mindless babble by some, but they're entertaining, and don't revolve around a so-called "reality."

So I guess what I'm getting at is this:

It's alright to indulge in some dumb television here and there, but -- as that

roommate who spent last weekend hugging the toilet is all too aware -- moderation is key.

Basically, our generation has already lost the battle. We have become so enthralled with who has formed an alliance with whom, that we have completely lost sight of our own realities. The word "reality" should be the least ambiguous word in the English language, but it has astonishingly gained a new, almost oxymoronic denotation in recent years.

As long as the networks are making money off their tired and overdone shows, they will continue to broadcast them, and make millions in advertising.

Listen: it's over. We've all but conceded. So, if for no other reason than posterity, let us save the future by boycotting the present.

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Former Kiss frontman Gene Simmons and partner Shannon Tweed on A&E's newest reality buzz, "Gene Simmons Family Jewels."

His career done, Romo still hitting dirty -- boycott his book

William Thomas Romanowski.
Romo -- NFL Hitman.

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Born in Connecticut in 1966, who'd have thought that the little tike would grow up to be a feared professional football player?

A true monster in his own domain, Romo was known for being unmercifully violent throughout his 16-year career, whether the victim was an opponent or his own teammate. Some say his violence was just part of the game or necessary to succeed in the rough sport. Romo explains, "there was only one way to survive in the NFL: with overpowering strength and hatred."

I, however, disagree and think racking up hundreds of thousands of dollars in fines for raging violence is going too far.

During a practice in 1989, Romanowski attacked fellow San Francisco 49er Harris Barton over a disagreement with an earlier play. That should've been the tip-off that there are a few screws loose in this guy; he continued kicking opposing players in the head, breaking jaws, and spitting in players' faces up until 1997.

Then he just started punching people.

Kordell Stewart of the Pittsburgh Steelers, Tony Gonzalez of the Kansas City Chiefs -- you name it. When he got bored with that,

he grabbed a football and pegged Bryan Cox of the New York Jets right in the love muscle. Nice one, Romo.

More dislocated elbows and crushed eye sockets occurred and the fines piled up, but Romo got paid so much that they were little more than nickels and dimes to him.

Apparently, one morning, Romo woke up and thought, "Hey, I think I'll break a finger today. Yeah, I'll just grab it in my hands and snap it in half!" Dave Meggett of the New York Giants bore the brunt of that one during an in-game pile-up.

Imagine what that would feel like. You didn't get your finger caught in the door or have someone step on it. You're trapped in a pile-up with this guy and he literally reaches out, randomly chooses your finger, and breaks it. Try and tell me that was a necessary injury to win the game. Romo was just being... an aggressive player?

There's no denying that Romanowski was not only a talented football player, but also a consistent force, playing parts of three decades in the NFL. During that time, he won four Super Bowls, played on four different teams, (49ers, Eagles, Broncos and Raiders), and even more amazingly, never

missed a game (he played a total of 243 consecutively). He was a two-time pro-bowler. Such a skilled player should not feel the need to abuse everyone on the field.

He claims the brutal behavior was a reflection of his fear of failure. He was under a lot of pressure, he said.

"I didn't want to lose my job," Romanowski told CBS' "60 Minutes" earlier this month.

If anyone else was afraid of failure -- like he apparently was -- going around intentionally cracking bones all the time would land us in jail. I don't see why football players should receive this special treatment (::cough, cough:: -- O.J. Simpson) or any pro-sports player/celebrity for that matter.

Lots of people have stressful jobs. I don't hear about big-time lawyers decking each other outside court, surgeons stabbing other doctors with scalpels or Wall Street stock traders assaulting one another after the bell rings.

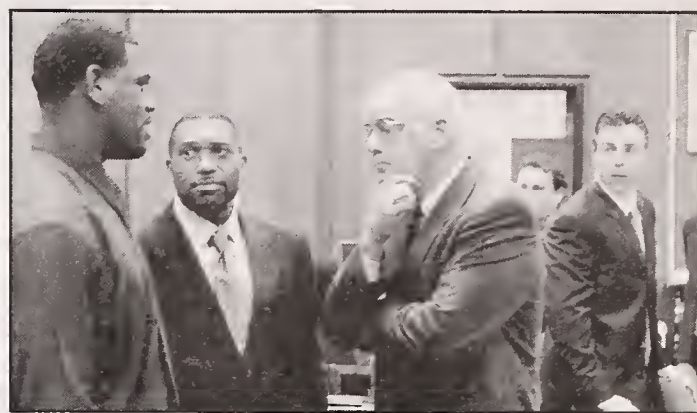
The pressure Romanowski endured doesn't excuse his demonic behavior on the field. Now, to show his remorse, he has published a book revealing all the gore and juicy gossip of his professional career. The work is titled "Romo: My Life on the Edge."

The doesn't sound apologetic. It should be called "Romo: The Psychotic Years."

He's making bank off all the terrible things he did and he shouldn't be rewarded for his confessions by reaping the financial benefits of a published book.

Don't buy his attempt to rattle off all his savage acts and illegal drug usage.

Don't let me forget to mention that -- described as religious, Romo was an avid



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Former NFL star Bill Romanowski (far right) during a 2005 trial for assaulting teammate Marcus Williams (left).

supplement user. He took everything he could get his hands on, and often didn't know what he was putting in his body. He even took live sheep cells. Guzzling diet drugs with stimulants and growth hormones was a routine for him, and as soon as the NFL got word of these drugs and started testing for them, he would stop usage.

"The league currently tests seven players per team per week on a random basis for performance-enhancing drugs" reports Sports Illustrated. Romanowski knew full well that he was defying NFL rules.

Boycott Romanowski's book. Even if you're not disgusted with his actions, I already told you everything he talks about in this fine piece of literature. No need to read twice. Just because his musical interests include The Beatles, Elton John, and John Denver and he grew up milking cows on a farm doesn't make him less of a criminal athlete. And he doesn't have my vote for the NFL Hall of Fame, unless he's going to be written up as the most violent meat-head in history.

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THUMBS BY BRIDGETHANAHAN & STEVESTANTON

You Never Forget Your First Time -- We finally figured out why Loyola can never get any good bands -- because they are all at the Virgin Fest! As you are undoubtedly aware, here at Thumbs, Inc., just like the rest of Loyola, we endorse all things virgin. With bands like The Who, Flaming Lips, and the Red Hot Chili Peppers, your first time is guaranteed to be unforgettable.

TV Takeoffs -- As we were sitting around watching the "Top 40 Most Ugly Celebrity Mug Shots," we couldn't help but eagerly anticipate the return of good TV. And as entertaining as Gary Busey always is, he's no substitute for the daily drama of Meredith Grey and the gang. Shows like "LOST," "Weeds," and "House" are back. Like meeting new people at the start of the semester, this year holds a plethora of new shows to flirt with, curse at, and become unhealthily obsessed over.

Two-Fiddy's -- Already the time has come for us to begin counting down. Last Friday, seniors celebrated Senior 250s, marking the 250 days left until they (maybe) graduate. It was a time to remember that we have 250 more days of opportunity here at Loyola. And, most importantly, 250 more days until it is no longer socially acceptable to end the night naked with lamp shades on our heads.



Dirty Foy and the F-Bomb Gang -- The Greyhound has decided to start its year with a bang. Led by editor-in-chief and reclusive hobo Terence Foy, its editors recently littered the paper with a profanity-laced tirade. They seem to have abandoned the sense of restraint all news media lives by. Where is Foy's decency? Also, he doesn't wash his clothes. And he mumbles.

Life Without K-Fed? -- According to Blender Magazine, our favorite pop star's days are numbered. Scientists have taken into account the age, height, smoking habits, alcoholic consumption, marijuana use, and reported body odor of dear Mr. Spears and tragically report that K-Fed is only predicted to walk the earth until the precious young age of 55. We fear if they monitored our daily collegiate lifestyles, we might be K-F'd before the weekend. Only 26 more years of this dancing and rapping phenomenon, so get your laughs in while you still can.

Don't Eat the Green Stuff -- We're obviously not scientists here, but we thought E. Coli was in meat. So unless they are now pumping our crops of spinach with chicken juice as some kind of growth hormone, we're a little confused, but what else is new? Which raises another point -- just eat organic and we'll all be OK. But for now, stay away from the spinach. Popeye ain't so strong to the finish these days.

"Wasted" again in 250s-ville

Nothing screams senior sophistication like an evening of school-sponsored debauchery.

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In Reitz Arena on Friday night, the Class of 2007 celebrated 250 days until graduation, until the real world, until the bubble in which we've wrapped ourselves these four years irreparably pops. As last week's Opinions columnist Susan Leitholf pointed out, this is a heavy concept. The senior countdown celebrations are no joke.

However, just as expected, the senior class did not treat 250s this way.

I arrived at Reitz around 8:15 p.m., hoping for that fashionably late appearance required for every drinking event. To my dismay (and embarrassment, thanks to my theme attire), very few of my classmates had yet to show up. It seemed close to 9:30 or 10 before the room was packed.

While I was thankful for the meager crowd which allowed me to pig out on the quite tasty chicken fingers and fries, I was upset with my classmates. Where, on one of the rare special nights given to us by the College, was everyone?

Everyone was, of course, pregaming. Now, I approve of this activity as much as the next cheap, drunk college student. On Friday night, however, excessive pregaming was a waste not only of time and the SGA's money, but also of our own opportunities. Holing up with the same friends as usual, we missed out on bonding with that kid who lived down the hall freshman year and that girl who sits on the opposite side of the room in at least one class every semester.

Not that everyone's mere presence at the event would be enough to bring about this quality time. I know I saw plenty of old friends mingling around but was too drunkenly distracted by pretty colors, pretty people, and huge tubs of icy beer to chat

long. So instead of reconnecting with and re-centering myself within the esteemed senior class, I found myself on the fringe, causing drama and gracefully falling all over myself.

I admit this on behalf of all seniors who behaved in the same fashion. If you are an exception, kudos to you, but I've yet to talk to a friend who remembers the whole night clearly. I've also yet to find someone ashamed of it.

Ultimately, instead of a festive celebration of our own success and friendships, Margaritaville turned out to be just another messy night at the bar (minus the sorely-missed hard liquor which could have produced -- go figure -- margaritas). We chatted, we danced, we got wasted. Yippee -- and take note, all you kids who claim to dislike the bar scene; if you had fun on Friday, you do like bars.

I am not saying 250s was not a good time, nor am I saying I am ungrateful for the hard work the SGA put into making this event a reality. Despite a disgruntling cover fee and lack of a couple free beers (which may or may not be a myth...Blair, a little clarification please?), the event was well put-together. Food, beer, music -- thumbs up.

Senior 250s accomplished everything it intended to do.

At this point, however, we need to live and learn. What will Senior 200s set out to do? We have 250s under our belt, and we had a blast -- but now we see that we need to expect more from the parties and from ourselves.

We will get blindingly drunk with close friends many, many more times this year and in years to come, but now may be our last chance to enjoy the company of several hundred really wonderful people. Next time, let's keep the absenteeism and mindless inebriation to a minimum, kids. These senior events are not to be wasted.

College and middle school not so different after all

I am becoming increasingly alarmed about something.

For the past who-knows-how-many years, I have rushed to the television on

SUSANLEITHOLF

any free weekday to watch reruns of "Saved by the Bell" on TBS from noon until 1 p.m. I would relax in front of the television with my lunch to enjoy some quality time with Kelly, Zack, Slater, Jessie, Lisa, Screech, and Mr. Belding.

It had always been a bright spot in my day; sometimes, looking ahead to the theme song was what got me out of bed in the morning.

Imagine my excitement when I made my first foray into the large downstairs machine room at the FAC the other Friday and discovered the television attached to my elliptical machine.

I checked my watch to discover that it was about 12:30. Perfect! Just in time for "Saved by the Bell."

Alas, it was not to be.

"Saved by the Bell" was not on the television! That proved not to be an isolated incident.

It looks as though other shows are playing during the Bayside gang's normal daytime slot. Now, as I grow more and more concerned about my "Saved by the Bell" future, I realize how attached I remain to fixtures of my childhood such as that beloved show.

College is an awful lot like kindergarten and elementary school. However, we college students find ourselves in a paradox that

was not present during our childhood. According to Strauss and Howe's book "The Fourth Turning: An American Prophecy," young adults are "caught up in the emotional involvements and conflicts of childhood" and yet are "hard-pressed to cope with the demands of family, work, and community." In other words, we are being funneled into adulthood even though most of us are not quite sure of how to cope with all that it entails.

"I see nothing wrong with temporarily regressing to the loves of childhood as long as it affords one with a rejuvenated frame of mind that makes one ready to once again tackle the rigors of young adult life."

Enter childhood.

Even though I have not been able to watch "Saved by the Bell" lately, the time when I could was not long ago. My viewing of that show was a coping mechanism. During the time that I watched it, I could pretend that the real world did not exist for a short period of time.

Escapism? Probably.

Harmless? Absolutely.

I see nothing wrong with temporarily regressing to the loves of childhood as long as doing so affords one with a rejuvenated frame of mind that makes a person ready to once again tackle the rigors of young adult life.

As cherished as I consider "Saved by the Bell," I recognize that there are other ways of reliving the glory days of our childhoods.

We all remember naptime during school when we were five and six. I also remember becoming sad when I learned that such bliss was not to be a permanent part of the curriculum. Perhaps I was an anomaly for not napping much during high school, but

in any event, the advent of college brought about the return of napping. And what a glorious return it has been! People have once again come to treasure their naps so much

that when obligations interfere with naptime, it is catastrophic.

For those that don't choose to nap (and for those that do), there are still more juvenile methods of de-stressing. Last year, a good friend of mine took a trip to California, and she was kind enough to bring me back a present.

Was it a t-shirt? A coffee mug? A postcard?

No, it was something better.

I received a coloring book from the San Diego Zoo.

And I could not have been happier. My roommate received one as well, and we immediately camped out in front of the television (which was very likely playing "Saved by the Bell" or perhaps some cartoon), eating cookies and coloring in our coloring books. Every so often, when we

are particularly stressed, we still pull out our trusty coloring books and crayon away our frustrations.

I think it's accurate to say that such a method of coping with the stresses of life is much safer and much healthier than some of the other methods that are often used as stress-busters.

Perhaps if more people turned to outlets such as these, we would all be more light-hearted and thus more prepared to handle life.

Even though the future of "Saved by the Bell" is somewhat uncertain at this point, there is no need to panic completely.

We still have "Full House."

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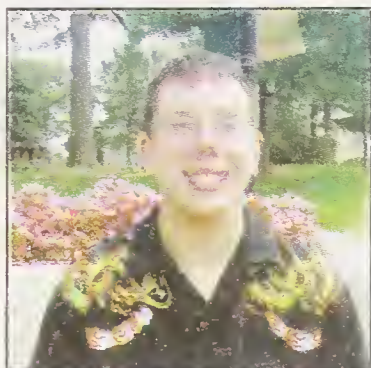
On the Quad

Freshman: After four weeks, what do you think of Loyola's "Dorms like Palaces?"

By Kristen Cesiro



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Do you want to be in "On The Quad?" Look for Alexandra Dykhous on the quad, Friday afternoons.

Gays in the military? Don't fear the ask -- or the tell

By HARRISON JAMES POWERS
DAILY TEXAN (U. TEXAS)

Be all you can be. Just don't be gay.

The United States military, along with 16 other countries including Yemen and Saudi Arabia, forbids openly gay men and women from participating in the armed forces.

Recently two homosexuals were jailed for staging a sit down protest at the local Austin recruiting office on the grounds of trespassing. The military does not have just cause for such an action.

There is no direct evidence that homosexuality enhances or detracts from military performance, and in an age where the military is starving for new recruits I fail to see why they have the luxury to deny able-bodied men and women.

The first honorable discharge as a result of homosexuality in the United States was in 1778 where Lieutenant Gotthold Frederick Enslin was removed with the approval of General George Washington.

Since then, the military has maintained anti-homosexual policies with various forms of justification. Some generals believed that homosexuals lowered troop

morale, while others saw them as a greater security risk, a fallacy that was later disproved in the Crittenden report.

The underlying issue, despite all of the layers of illusion, is that military men are uncomfortable around homosexuals. People have a tendency to be fearful of things and people that are foreign and unconventional, and creating a barrier does not help to dispel that fear.

The military's "Don't ask, don't tell" policy, introduced in 1993 by President Bill Clinton as a compromise strategy, was the first step towards equality which has failed to progress further. Instead of taking a positive stand on the issue, the military has decided to deny the existence of homosexuality altogether.

As of 1993, U.S. military recruiters stopped inquiring about sexuality, thus allowing anyone to join unless he or she declared to be gay.

There are many positive results of allowing gays to serve in the military. First, allowing men and women who are openly gay to participate in military service would create a more progressive image of the United States on the global stage.

A homosexual is no less adept at holding a gun and is just as capable of dying from a

bullet. Allowing open homosexuals to join would also be less expensive for the military as they are not entitled to marriage benefits because the U.S. does not recognize gay marriage.

Most importantly, however, is that allowing homosexuals into military service would create tolerance. This tolerance would create an example that the nation would follow. America loves its troops. They are our role models. The military stands in a position to change national perspectives relatively easily.

When the nation is at war without a compulsory draft and is desperate for new recruits as the U.S. is now, there is no logical reason to deny able-bodied men and women who are willing to serve and die for their country.

The willingness to pronounce themselves openly gay in the military with the knowledge of possible retribution from the troops alone proves that they are not afraid of the worst possible battle situations.

The military does not have the luxury to discriminate, and seeing how it is a branch of our government which proclaims equality for all it is shocking that they reserve the right to do so.

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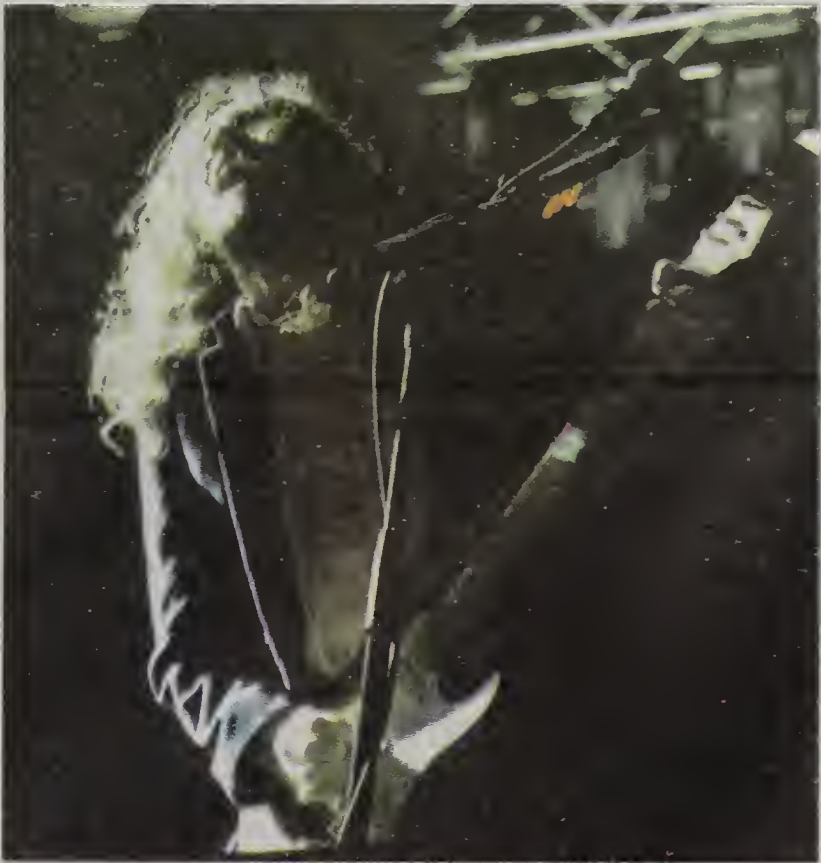
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Virgin Festival crosses the Pond to Baltimore



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(Above left) A crowd of Loyola students eagerly awaits the Red Hot Chili Peppers. (above right) Lead singer of the Scissor Sisters. (below left) John Frusciante of the RHCP. (below right) A Brazilian Girl holds out the microphone to the crowd. (bottom left) The Killers lead singer, Brandon Flowers. (bottom right) The RHCP rock out some more.



BY CHRIS DILLON
STAFF WRITER

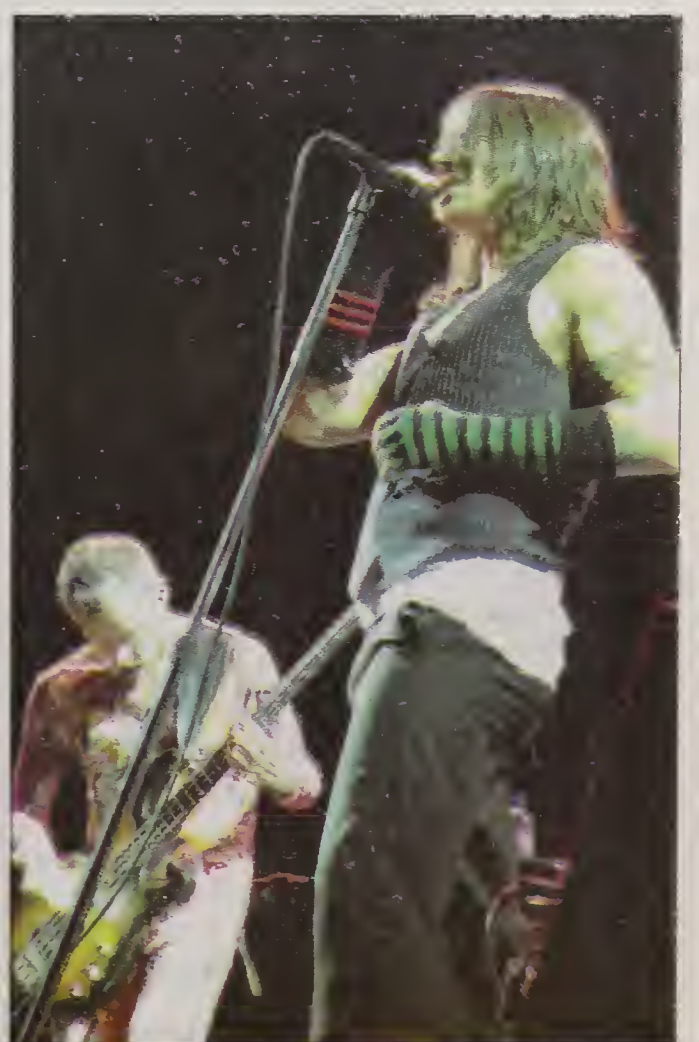
Virgin Festival went off without a hitch this past Saturday at Pimlico Race Track a mere four miles from Loyola's campus. Virginfest was brought to America for the first time ever, while its English model, V Festival, has had been around since '96. The crowd consisted of predominantly high school and college-age students, though still, a number of older audience members turned up especially for the more well known bands like The Who and Red Hot Chili Peppers.

The festival started at noon but did not become packed until much later in the day. Wolfmother was the first of many loud acts, sporting a hard rock sound in the realm of Black Sabbath or Led Zeppelin. Next up, on the Clubhouse stage was the Canadian indie super-group The New Pornographers. They brought their delectable indie pop and played fan favorites like, "Mass Romantic" and "Star Bodies."

Back on the main stage The Raconteurs kicked their set off around 2:30. Led by Jack White (of the White Stripes) and Brendan Benson they displayed a masterful rock performance. Jack White's force of energy and intensity was incredible as he attacked the songs with piercing guitar solos especially on the cover "Bang Bang (My Baby Shot Me Down)."

Back on the Clubhouse stage Clap Your Hands Say Yeah struggled to translate their ultra-catchy rock to a festival crowd. Lead singer Alec Ounsworth's vocals

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“School of Scoundrels” proves a bit elementary



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In “School for Scoundrels” Billy Bob Thornton lends a hand to Jon Heder in overcoming his timidity. Despite the possibilities for clever dialogue and good acting, the movie relies mostly on slapstick.

BY KEVIN TULISZEWSKI
STAFF WRITER

Tool’s Rating:
2 out of 4

Watching someone get hit in the balls is always funny. Unfortunately for “School for Scoundrels” there was a little more than that needed to make it a decent feature-length comedy.

Take a series of “America’s Funniest Home Videos” clips,

loosely tie them together with a curmudgeon-loves-hot-chick story (sans the benefit of Bob Saget voiceovers) and you will have this movie. If that is what you are looking for, then great. Writer/director Todd Philips certainly has thought of some new and exciting ways to deliver shots to the family jewels in this one.

Without memorable characters or clever banter, “School for Scoundrels” relies solely on slapstick and will wind up as little

more than something to pass the time.

I know what you’re thinking: “Todd Philips? The comic genius responsible for ‘Road Trip’ and ‘Old School?’” Yeah, that’s that one. Sadly, “School for Scoundrels” misses the bar that he himself has set up in the past. Without the help of his “Frat Pack” regulars (except for Ben Stiller, whose only function is to trick audiences into thinking that this is a Ben Stiller movie), Philips ends up with a

movie that gets some laughs but is easily forgotten.

Jon Heder stars as Roger, a mouth-breathing pushover who can’t get chicks and is just one flippin’ sweet pair of moon boots away from Napoleon Dynamite. Roger gets a tip from a friend to spend \$5000 on a self-help course led by the mysterious “Dr. P” (Billy Bob Thornton) that teaches machismo to timid men. Enter lessons involving paintball guns and random acts of violence, and then let the ball-busting hilarity ensue.

Not really. Thornton’s gift for delivering a comic line is largely passed up for crotch shots, and the tactics his class teaches are all things that these guys could have learned from a high school sophomore. The lovely Jacinda Barrett as the cute neighbor is completely out of Roger’s league, appearing in her second dud of the month behind the Zach Braff vehicle “The Last Kiss.” Also, Roger somehow had \$5000 to spare working as a meter maid in New York City.

While Philips’ previous successes could be largely chalked up to the fast-talking Vince Vaughn or the sheer versatility of Will Ferrell, they also had vitality

and character that had made them unforgettable to the college crowd. Don’t expect “School for Scoundrels” to have anything like Ferrell singing “Dust in the Wind” or setting Frank the Tank loose on a frat party.

The movie has some memorable moments, however. Michael Clark Duncan in drag was funny, in a frightening sort of way. Sarah Silverman offers a welcome break from the slapstick in her few scenes, and you start to miss her when she is not on screen.

And then, of course, there is the guilty pleasure of seeing Napoleon get shot in the nards with a paintball gun. The movie accomplishes what little it attempts with flying colors, and I guess there is something to be said for that. Still, Philips has made better movies, and “School for Scoundrels” makes me hope that he doesn’t take the same low road for “Old School Dos,” coming out next year.

Want to really laugh at other people’s pain? Then check out MXC weeknights at 1 a.m. on Spike TV. They’ve got people falling on their faces down to an art form, and they’ll save you the nine bucks you might have spent on “School for Scoundrels.”

“Flyboys” may be worthwhile, but fails to soar

BY SARA CARR
STAFF WRITER

“Flyboys,” a film based on true events, chronicles the lives of several brave American volunteers who joined the French army as fighter pilots before America entered WWI. Each of them had to learn how to fly and how to become soldiers. This eclectic group would become a part of the Lafayette Escadrille.

The film opens in the sky as a sort of precursor of what’s to come and prepares the audience with a prologue to the film’s history. The movie then travels from city to city as an intro-duction to the characters that the audience will come to love. Blaine Rawlings, played by James Franco, is a farm boy with an attitude and a sort of swagger. With nothing at left for him at home, he heads over to learn how to fly and to enter a war with idealistic dreams of honor and bravery. Another notable pilot entering the war is Eugene Skinner (Abdul Salis), an African-American who traveled to France years ago seeking better treatment. As a professional boxer, Skinner feels that he must give back to the country who gave so much to him. Along with a pompous son of a millionaire, a devout Christian, and several others; we find a troop of underdogs who must wage war with the relentless Germans.

Upon entering France, the fresh-faced Americans find a stern yet sympathetic leader in Captain Tenault played brilliantly by Jean Reno. And a bit of a breakthrough performance can be found in the role of Reed Cassidy (Martin Henderson), who plays the heroic

but disillusioned American who seeks revenge against the Germans who killed so many of his friends. The times are trying for our soldiers but the film contains an abundance of comic relief strewn throughout, providing breaks from the tension and heat of the battles.

The most impressive parts of “Flyboys” are the direction of Tony Bill and the incredible cinematography. Some of the most beautiful and vivid battle scenes in years are contained in the film. As the planes fly through the utopian countryside of France, in the distance the red aircrafts of Germany appear and epic battle sequences ensue with creative camera angles and turbulent midair explosions. This style makes the audience feel as if they are a part of the action rather than just a bystander. Furthermore, these scenes are reminiscent of classic war epics rather than an overblown modern recreation (a la Pearl Harbor.)

Another high point of the film would be the believable romance between Rawlings and Jennifer Decker’s character, Lucienne. The French Lucienne provides a consistent thread to the story as she is both a support system and as an insight into the life of a citizen in the midst of a war. The world around them (and a language barrier) stands in the way of

the budding relationship, but their struggle to stay together is both endearing and heartfelt.

“Flyboys” also contains its share of pitfalls that may annoy some of its viewers. First and foremost the movie runs well over two hours with some scenes that do not merit making it to the final cut. Also, the film tends to dance on the line between dramatic and cheesy as some of the lines are not strong enough to be paired with the emotions of the situation while at the same time there are many instances of overacting. Some parts of the film tend to be predictable, however, the film does have

its roots in history and a screenwriter cannot rewrite the past too much.

This movie is a rewarding experience and is worth the time to head to the theater this weekend. It’s entertaining, exciting, and the

general story has a little something for everyone. What’s more is that you actually feel for these characters and their tremendous courage and re-silience. Meanwhile you gain a bit of history in the process.



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(Above) Jennifer Decker and James Franco star as two lovers caught in the midst of World War I. While the actors do a good job, sometimes the writing comes off as a bit cheesy.



(Left) The cinematography and effects in “Flyboys” produce many beautiful aerial scenes. The filming style more resembles classic war films than modern ones.

Jet Li retires his black belt with style in "Fearless"

By MIKE CUNNINGHAM
STAFF WRITER

Jet Li's "Fearless" gets to the action right away, opening in early 20th century Shanghai, where Imperialist powers seeking to exploit China are at odds with the Chinese people. A four-on-one martial arts challenge has been issued by a costume closet of 18th century cartoon characters. The one Chinese man dispatches each of the first three fighters in the style of his opponents' choosing, and one last challenger is left, Tanaka, the Japanese judo master. A Chinese historical figure is about to face the culmination of his historical significance, just as Jet Li is preparing to step out of the limelight.

After some credits, the film rewinds to explore, from childhood, the life of the hero who united China, Huo Yuan Jia, in a historically interesting interpretation.

After getting his face handed to him in a childhood duel, Yuan Jia vows to never lose again. A few years later, having started a school of his own and living with his mother

and young daughter, Yuan Jia is on a single-minded quest to become regional champion of his homeland though, at great personal cost. It is during this segment of his life in which we see the bulk of Yuan Jia's matches, which tend to take place in village squares where he takes on enemies who fight in a number of different styles and with different weapons.

However, due to various issues of colliding pride, Yuan Jia ends up assassinating the previous local hero. This leads to the destruction of Yuan Jia's personal life. After wandering for what vaguely appears as several years, Yuan Jia retreats to a Chinese mountain commune for a few years and learns the practice of inner peace through a lighthearted montage of farm work. All this happens alongside a romantic relationship with a young blind girl who serves as Yuan Jia's guide to self-discovery. This center piece of the movie is the real tear-jerking part that the ladies will love, and the men can use to go to the bathroom, the rest of the intense fighting happens at the end.



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In the movie, Jet Li performs in dozens of fights, many of them against several opponents. While he may have gotten old, Li shows that his talent has stayed at a peak.

This movie is worth seeing if only for the fact that it is kung fu genius Jet Li's "final martial arts epic." The man who has rocked our screens for almost a quarter century is leaving on a high note, and that note rings "Fearless."

There is little better way for a martial arts master to end his career than in a role as a national martial arts hero, who also goes out on top. There has never been anything like what Jet Li has become.

As well as being Jet Li's swansong, "Fearless" also features the collusion of several other well known Asian talents. Most notably, the action choreography was done by Woo-ping Yuen ("Kill Bill Vol. 1," "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon," and "The Matrix") and the over-the-top stunts and cinematography effectively convey his expert skills. While famous for his use of

suspension wires on actors to create over-the-top stunts, such techniques are used much more sparingly in "Fearless" than in a movie like "Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon." Instead, the film focuses on his core choreographic skills, particularly his ability to control the speed of a fight so that it is both quick and fluid but emphasizes key moments so that the audience can follow.

The movie is an epic journey that shows some great wushu, but is still at times lighthearted and emotional. Literally any person can enjoy this movie. Because there are quite a few touching moments, including glimpses into Huo Yuan Jia's family life, "Fearless" makes for a great date movie despite the martial art focus. It can safely be called the cutest movie in which a baby dies, ever.



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"Fearless" will be Jet Li's final martial arts epic. With the help of famed action choreographer, Woo-ping Yuen, the film helps complete Li's legendary career.

Artie Lange's "Beer League"

By DAVID HILTBRAND
THE PHILADELPHIA INQUIRER

If you go to see "Artie Lange's Beer League," you can't say you weren't warned. It's all there in the title.

This is a film about drunken softball-playing slobs whose primary asset is Howard Stern's bumptious sidekick, Lange. His name is above the title as a warning, like posting a skull and crossbones outside a toxic waste site.

But even armed with that expectation, you may be surprised at just how rancid and bilious "Beer League" manages to be. It's a film that starts out gross and then goes precipitously downhill.

Lange plays Artie DeVanzo, an unemployed 35-year-old, who lives with his screwy mother (Laurie Metcalf). Like a dissolute lawnboy statue, Artie always has a beer can in hand and a cigarette dangling from his lip.

When he's not in bed or in the bar, he plays on a ragtag slow-pitch softball team in North Jersey with his pals Maz (Ralph Macchio), Johnny (Jimmy Palumbo) and crusty old Dirt (Seymour Cassel).

Mostly these guys just sit around and

trade raunchy insults. If your idea of wit is a Herpes joke, then brother, you just hit the mother lode.

The idea is to establish this crew as lovable losers, but "Beer League" overshoots the mark by several miles, resulting in the longest foul ball in B-movie history.

Inevitably, the bad news bums decide that against all odds they have a shot at the league championship. Suddenly, these out-of-shape bozos are playing like the 1975 Cincinnati Reds.

On top of that wheezy plot, "Beer League" throws in an implausible, almost repulsive romance. It's like mixing rotgut rye with cheap tequila.

Artie finds his soul mate in Linda (Cara Buono). You know it's true love when Linda wakes up a snoring Artie to remonstrate, "That was the worst sex I ever had."

Despite the fact that it looks like it cost \$64 to make, "Beer League" includes cameos from Jim Breuer, Joseph Gannascoli (gay Vito on "The Sopranos") and Tina Fey. Wow, talk about slumming.

Sitting through this film is like spending the night in that sleazy bar you swore you'd never go in, not even to use the bathroom.



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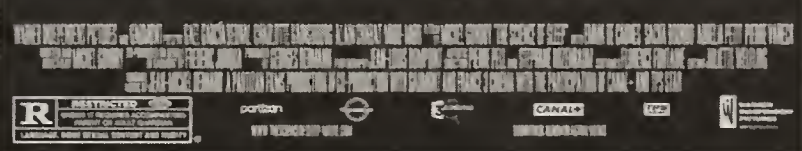
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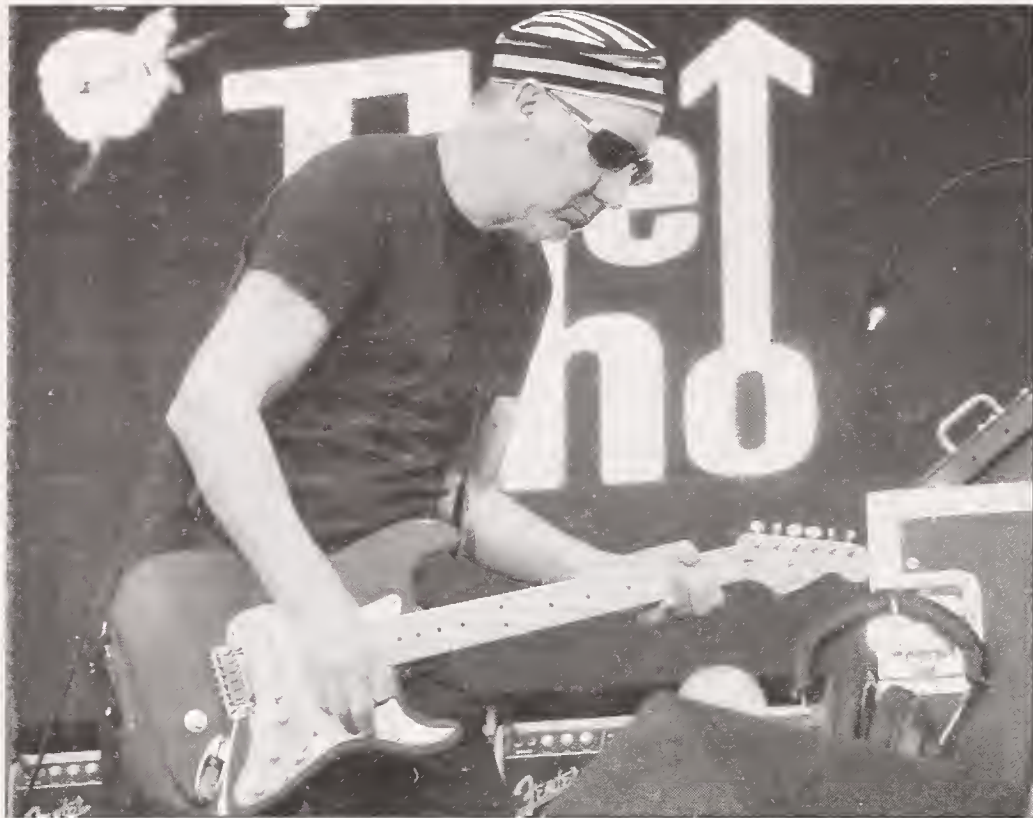
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The Who and Gnarl Barkley were only a few of many artists who played this past Saturday, just a few miles down the road from Loyola at Pimlico Race Track.

The Who, Red Hot Chili Peppers play for thousands

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seemed to break up, and he was unable to carry the high notes of his songs or bring the same level of intensity featured on the album.

Gnarl Barkley came on triumphantly wearing Roman togas and golden wreath crowns; lead singer Cee-Lo wore a faux-gold chest plate and roman helmet. They proceeded to present their music with incredible attention to production and detail. Accompanied by a string quartet, back-up singers, and a backing band Cee-Lo preached the groups blend of soul, rock, and rap songs. The highlight, of course, was the band's huge single "Crazy" which left the sun-warmed crowd roaring.

The highly anticipated Killers set sounded mediocre. The Killers' strengths come from combining great dance beats with catchy choruses. But live they sounded like

a Killers cover band. They know the songs, and are excited to play them, but somewhere along the line they have failed to figure out how to recreate their sound live; this mainly due to lead singer Brandon "never-quite-sure-what-note-to-sing" Flowers. However, they partially redeemed themselves with the excellent closing song "All These Things That I've Done."

The biggest draw to Virgin Festival was the seminal 60s rock band The Who. Surviving members Roger Daltrey and Pete Townshend, both over 60, still knew how to put on a massive rock show, turning the amps way up and howling out classics like "Baba O'Riley" and "Pinball Wizard" as well as a few songs from their upcoming release *Endless Wire*.

Closing out the night were the Red Hot Chili Peppers on the main stage and The Flaming Lips on the Clubhouse stage. The

Flaming Lips came out fueled by their incredibly bizarre and psychedelic antics. A group of green-faced female aliens in purple dresses on their left, and team of Santa Clauses on their right, the stage oft looked more enthusiastic and entertained than the audience. Lead Singer Wayne Coyne pleaded with the deflated crowd for every last ounce of energy remaining and threw out graffiti rockets and massive balloons into the exhausted audience.

Meanwhile, the Red Hot Chili Peppers played to an enthralled crowd, playing new and old hits with seemingly endless energy and intensity. Most notably was how guitarist John Frusciante seemed to take over with his guitar, showing up Pete Townshend for the day's best guitarist. He creatively wailed out familiar and new solos on nearly every song and started off the encore himself playing a

deconstructed version of Elton John's Tiny Dancer.

The show can be seen as a success, they ended up selling about two-thirds of their 60,000 capacity, and the show was very well organized. The crowd seemed a bit out of place. While in Europe the show's bill would have almost certainly drawn a sell out crowd, here in the U.S. independent bands find smaller followings and crowds are reluctant to pay out for the over \$100 ticket price. The majority of people were clearly there to see The Who and The Red Hot Chili Peppers, both of whom delivered memorable performances. However, the rest of the day seemed very unbalanced. Some bands were able to break through the malaise of the homogenous crowd, but many fell flat with non-fans. It will be interesting to see if Virginfest will be brought back to the U.S. next year.

A Black-Eyed Pea breaks from the pod

By J.P. ABELLO
THE HOYA

When Gwen Stefani released her very successful solo debut last year, Fergie must have been paying close attention. After all, they have a lot in common: Both were the female lead singers (as well as the eye candy) of their well-known, mostly male bands, and both decided to take advantage of the attention by going solo. Both, as it turns out, also like to spell in their songs.

In her first solo effort, "The Dutchess," Fergie follows the eclectic musical direction Stefani took in L.A.M.B., offering a collection of songs that draw inspiration from numerous styles like old-school soul, 1950s doo-wop, and even reggae, which ultimately leads to a surprisingly enjoyable and varied album.

The CD is strongest in its opening track. In "Fergalicious," Fergie shows her penchant for spelling. Just as Stefani clarified the spelling of "bananas" in "Hollaback Girl," Fergie does the same for "delicious" as she rap-talks alongside a very danceable beat. The songs that follow, "Clumsy" and "All That I Got," are strongly influenced by 1960s soul music.

The former is a doo-wop flavored track, down to its chorale of male background vocals, about how love can sometimes make one less than coordinated. The latter echoes old-school R&B, revealing some of Fergie's insecurities at the same time. "Would you love me if I didn't work out?" she asks her man in the song. "Here I Come," a feel-good



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Following in the steps of artists like Gwen Stefani, Fergie has come out with her own solo album, "The Dutchess." The release has already been met with some success, and Fergie looks like she's going to do great all by herself.

remake of The Temptations' "Get Ready," further shows Fergie's musical influences from the past.

The CD slows a bit after "London Bridge," her massive hit, which continues to proclaim her arrival sans the Black Eyed Peas. Tracks like "Pedestal" and "Voodoo Doll," are unmemorable while "Glamorous," whose name and themes may remind some of

Setfani's similarly titled "Luxurious" (and has Fergie spelling once again) helps the CD pick up again.

Rather than an ode to materialism, the song reveals that Fergie is just a regular person, and her wealth won't change that. Though a seemingly requisite theme for pop stars nowadays, it is still quite endearing, especially when Fergie says that she still

frequents the Taco Bell drive-thru. A Stefani-like influence continues with the energetic "Mary Jane Shoes," which lauds the wonderful effects rendered by certain herbs. The track contains ska elements typical of No Doubt's early days and the reggae sound heard later in their career.

Despite the highlighted similarities between Fergie and her platinum blond counterpart, they are not twins. Fergie makes her own mark especially when she shows her more personal side.

The CD really hits its stride with "Big Girls Don't Cry (Personal)," a song about young love, growing up and moving on. Despite questionably cheesy similes ("I'm going to miss you like a child misses their blanket"), the song's poignancy makes it work. On the other hand, the album's last track, "Get Your Hands Up," sounds like a Black Eyed Peas leftover, and her group-mates' appearance in the song can't save it from being unnecessary.

Whenever a lead singer of a popular group goes solo, everyone wonders if he or she can match the group's success. Beyonce, Justin and Stefani are the most notable success stories, and Fergie seems likely to join their ranks with this debut. Fergie sets herself apart with her distinctive delivery, and whatever range not heard in her vocals throughout the album is evident in the songs' stylistic variety. This diversity is the main reason why the album is enjoyable. With a handful of potential radio-friendly hits, "The Dutchess" seems poised to rule the charts.

Finnish group rocks their first American tour

BY LAILA HANSON
STAFF WRITER

The Rasmus is not a band that is new to fame. Together over 10 years and six studio albums under their belt, these Finnish wonder boys are quite familiar with the concept. So why haven't you heard of them? The rest of the world definitely has. The Rasmus has headlined several tours in over 10 countries, taking the world by storm. Even so, after releasing three European chart topping albums, *Into*, *Dead Letters* and *Hide From the Sun* with such hits as "F-f-f-falling," "In the Shadows," "Guilty," and "Immortal," The Rasmus still struggle to get as much success in the states. Hopefully that is going to change soon.

After recently being signed this summer to an American label, DRT Entertainment, (who have worked with bands such as GWAR and Lynam), The Rasmus is finally getting noticed in the rock music powerhouse of the world. Currently on their first American tour supporting The Lost Prophets (who could forget, "Last Train Home?") and Kill Hannah (Who want girls with "Lips Like Morphine"), The Rasmus is starting to get long awaited fame and recognition in the states.



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The Rasmus may seem like a bunch of fresh faces in America, but they already have plenty of recognition internationally, and their popularity is on the rise.

This isn't to say that The Rasmus has no fans in the US. They have plenty. They're just hard to find. But when they are noticed, they are definitely noticed. The same goes for the band itself.

Take their recent Sep. 16 show at Club Chameleon in Lancaster, Pennsylvania. A rarity occurred for the headlining bands. Not only were the few Lost Prophets and Kill Hannah fans who attended the show overrun by The Rasmus fans passing them promotional materials for the band, but they were at the back of the block long line because of the many fans of The Rasmus arriving there well before 2:00 for the 8 p.m. doors. People from all over the country had ventured out just for the seven song set that The Rasmus was scheduled to play. A few choice Massachusetts fans with homemade tank tops proving their devotion to the band had been traveling over 12 hours to get to the show. One fan was decked out to look exactly like the lead singer of the band-some enthusiasts had to do double takes to make sure he was not. Another few fans proudly draped the Finnish flag across them like a cape. Fans of The Rasmus got plenty of odd looks from other people in the line. It didn't stop their dedication, though!

Once the doors opened, The Rasmus fans pounded to the front of the stage, leaving little option for Lost Prophets and Kill Hannah supporters to get any mosh pit space in edgewise. Soon after, the crowd began chanting "The RassssMUSSS! The RassssMUSSS!" Any slight movement by

the nervous roadies on the stage generated more screams from the crowd. Finally, their prayers were answered.

The guitarist, Pauli Rantasalmi, was the first to venture out onto the stage. With his wildly curly hair and full beard, Pauli gave the mass a choice full-toothed grin and strummed on his guitar. This was enough to drive the audience wild and the other members of the band rushed on stage. Aki Hakala, the muscular drummer, winked and took his seat. Eero Heinonen, the shy bassist sporting a new, shorter haircut then in their most recent music video "Shot," nodded and gave a shy smile. Finally, the lead singer Lauri Ylönen, sporting his well-known heavily hair sprayed hair with crow feathers blended in, approached the microphone, looked at his fellow band members, then smiled at the audience, his eyes shining.

"We're The Rasmus, we're from Finland, let's get this started!" he screamed. Pauli started hammering out the heavy power chords of "Night After Night." The melodic, but meaningful voice of Lauri was already starting to make an impression on the fans. Soon after, "Guilty," made famous by its mention on Bam Margera's "Viva La Bands," spewed out over the speakers.

"I feel guilty/my words are empty/no signs to give you/don't have the time for you."

People who thought they had never heard of the band before glanced at one another, looks of recognition and appreciation flashing across their faces. After "Guilty," the boys gulped down some water, basking in the shrieks of their fans, both old and new.

"Hey, I just have a question....does anybody like our music?" Eero said softly into his microphone. The response was a unanimous screech from the hundreds of people before them.

"What was that?" Eero asked.

The crowd yelled louder.

Lauri pitched in, "Ohhh, that's excellent!" in his heavy European accent. "This next song is one of my favorites, on the new album...coming out next month...."

The distinctive chords of "Immortal" showered over the venue.

"Strange signs, crooked signals/Strike down the last aerials."

After a few more select favorite songs, the smash international hit, "In The Shadows" poured over the stage.

"No sleep/no sleep until I'm done with finding the answer/won't stop/won't stop until I find a cure for this cancer"

At this point, the entire mob was breathing in the music, not just the original fans that had barreled to the front when the doors opened. Before everyone knew it, The Rasmus had finished their short set and were taking their bows. Aki threw out his drumsticks and got them riled up one last time, getting everyone to clap. They bowed once more and rushed off stage.

After their set, The Rasmus graciously greeted their fans, posing for pictures and offering autographs.

If the tour keeps up this way, one thing is for sure -- The Rasmus will not be unknown by the majority of the states much longer. With powerful lyrics, youthful good looks and a committed fan base, the Finnish band is on its way to following the steps of HIM ... then perhaps a few steps further. The new album from The Rasmus, *Hide From the Sun*, is set to be released on Oct. 10 in the States by DRT Entertainment.

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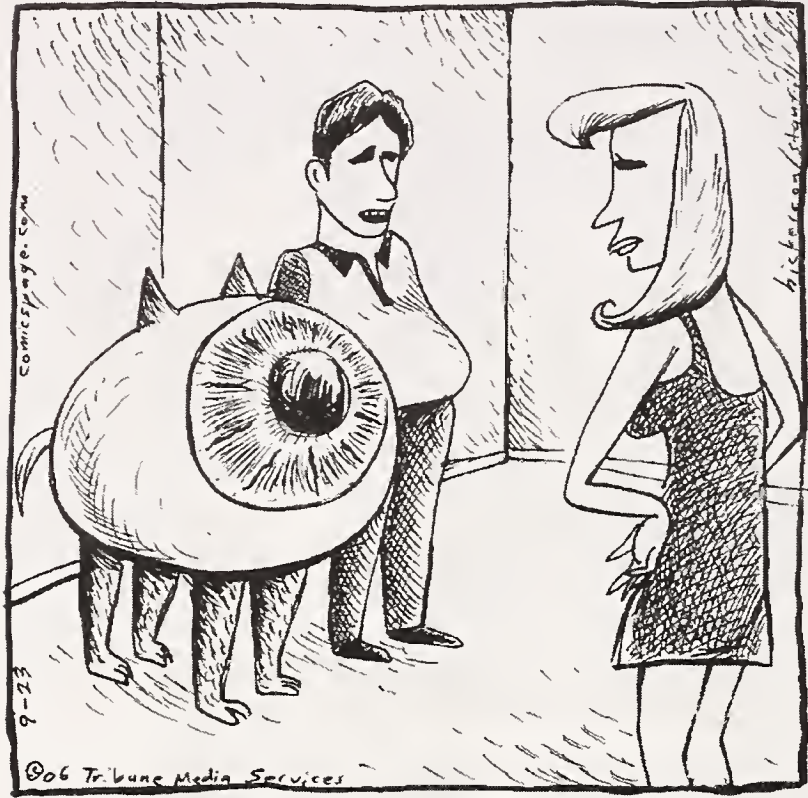
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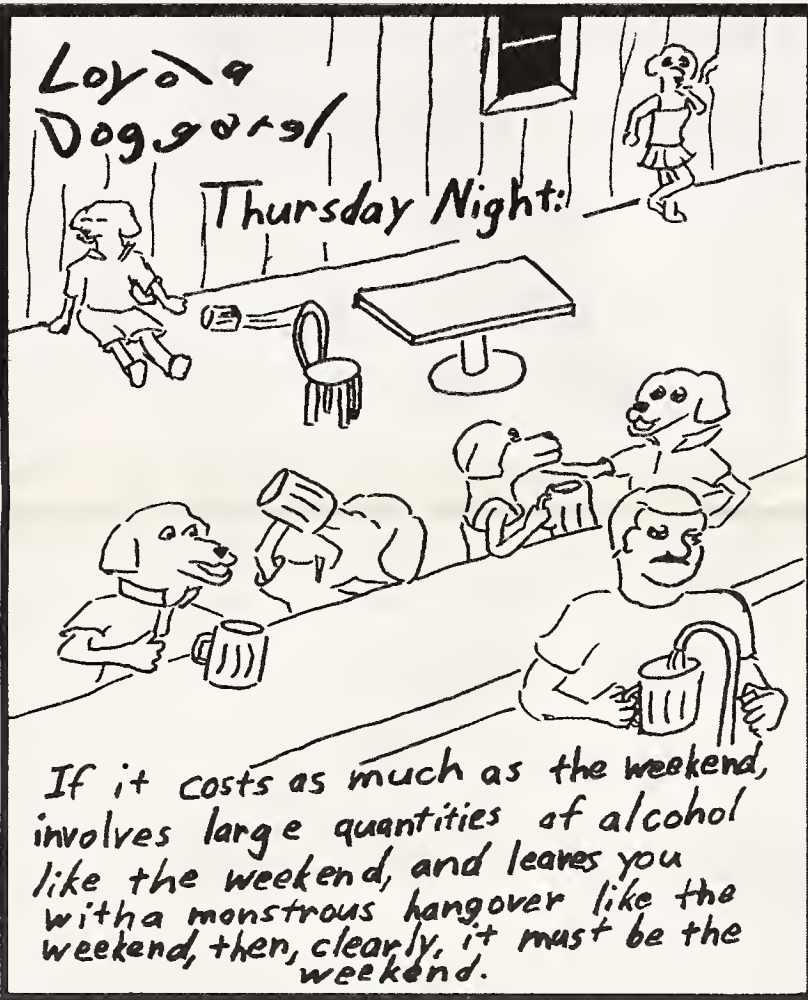
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Aries (March 21-April 20) A family member or long-term friend may now wish to explore a controversial change of lifestyles. Travel plans, educational

misgivings. Confidence will soon be restored.

Gemini (May 21-June 21) After Friday, pay special attention to the social needs of a relative or friend. Encouragement will help end a cycle of isolation: be expressive.

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programs or cultural appreciation may all be accented. Provide facts and offer your own unique perspective: detailed home or social changes will require patient determination. After mid-week, romantic discussions intensify. Key issues involve broken promises or past commitments.

Taurus (April 21-May 20) Someone close may this week need to evaluate social and romantic commitments. Past disappointments or unexpected emotional triangles now have a powerful influence on key relationships. Avoid private discussions, if possible, and expect others to resolve their own

Cancer (June 22-July 22) Later this week, a close relative may reveal unexpected career changes or revised investments. Study all details: accuracy is key.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22) Older relatives may this week rely heavily on your ability to inspire group agreement. Social harmony will not be easily achieved over the next few days but it is vital to the success of long-term commitments or family relations. Encourage shared activities, bold decisions and common goals: words alone will not influence public opinion. After Thursday, a powerful wave of intuition and romantic insight arrives.

Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Deep gorge
- 6 Party-giver
- 10 Funeral bugle call
- 14 Republic on Hispaniola
- 15 Declare firmly
- 16 Assist
- 17 Light up
- 19 Part of HOMES
- 20 Lions' lairs
- 21 Roman wall-builder
- 23 Distributed fixed portions
- 27 Claim as a right
- 28 Lotion ingredient
- 29 August-born, probably
- 31 Young horses
- 32 Newfoundland airport
- 35 Flies alone
- 37 Double curve
- 38 Cut a V into
- 40 Wind dir.
- 43 Check recipient
- 44 Outburst of rage
- 46 Palindromic title
- 49 Plus
- 51 Dynamic start?
- 52 Egg dish
- 54 Marriage endings
- 57 Used transactions
- 59 Jacob's third son
- 60 Actor Guinness
- 61 Lessening of tension
- 66 Old cash in Como
- 67 With no ice
- 68 Bird from French Lick
- 69 Greasy-spoon sign
- 70 Hebrides isle
- 71 List of candidates

DOWN

- 1 Greek letter
- 2 Actor Linden
- 3 Feel poorly
- 4 Examined in detail
- 5 Outmoded copier, briefly
- 6 Gretel's brother
- 7 Eggs to Nero
- 8 Third son
- 9 Walk on
- 10 Vacuum bottle trademark
- 11 Radio antenna
- 12 Supple
- 13 Pays out
- 18 Travelers' stopover
- 22 Translate an encryption
- 23 Violent anger
- 24 Exclamation of sorrow
- 25 "Sixteen _"
- 26 Climb down
- 30 La-la lead-in
- 33 Tooth covering
- 34 Rogers or Clark
- 36 Do-over service
- 39 Brewed drink
- 40 On _ (as a gamble)
- 41 Withered
- 42 God of love
- 43 Royal homes
- 45 Conjugal
- 46 Esprit de corps
- 47 Aviator Earhart
- 48 Abandon
- 50 Make wider
- 53 Gulls' relatives
- 55 Annoy
- 56 Track shapes
- 58 Go in search of
- 62 Set down
- 63 Writer Levin
- 64 Table scrap
- 65 Louis or Carrie

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Solutions to last week's puzzle

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Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22) Subtle disagreements between trusted friends will now fade. Miscommunications or wrongful social information may be an underlying theme. Some Virgos may now need to return to old documents and past records to affect meaningful change in key relationships. Don't neglect important dates, times or schedules.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23) Tender moments of affection may soon inspire greater levels of intimacy and trust. Over the next few days, expect subtle suggestions and rare romantic overtures from loved ones. Complex discussions will lead to rekindled sensuality: plan meaningful encounters, if possible, and express sincere opinions or needs.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 22) New debts, long-term investments or proposed purchases should now be carefully scrutinized. Before mid-October, financial revisions or added payments are potentially draining. Set a slow pace and

exercise caution: this is not the right time to take on increased money responsibilities, expenses or family duties. After Friday, a delicate romantic disagreement may quickly fade.

Sagittarius (Nov. 23-Dec. 21) Over the next few days, group invitations will prove rewarding. Close friends may now initiate highly creative activities, controversial hobbies or new forms of entertainment. Explore all intriguing options. Many Sagittarians will soon benefit from expanded social awareness and intense emotional challenges.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 20) Love affairs and private encounters may be briefly postponed over the next few days. At present, potential lovers and long-term friends may feel vulnerable or emotionally exposed. In the coming weeks, new emotional commitments will work strongly in your favor. After Wednesday, pay special attention to the social needs of a younger friend or relative.

Aquarius (Jan. 21-Feb. 19) Listen to the subtle observations of close friends or relatives this week. Later this week, a new romance may quickly escalate. If so, trust your initial instincts: fast promises will be genuine and deeply felt.

Pisces (Feb. 20-March 20) Romantic partners may this week ask for increased access to private family decisions. Social expectations and a need for group acceptance will be strongly felt over the next few days. Spend extra time with loved ones and plan unique encounters.

If your birthday is this week: Unique issues of social identity, group involvement or short-term romantic planning are accented over the next few weeks. An intensive phase of isolation or doubt now needs to fade. Before mid-October, key friendships will steadily expand. Remain open and expect new ideals, roles or emotional expectations to define intimate relationships for the coming eight to nine months.



Hounds shut out Spiders for first win

By DAVE LOMONICO
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It took almost a full month, but the Loyola men's soccer team finally felt a sigh of relief.

After a 0-6-1 start in which the team looked more out of synch than the United States in their opening round World Cup loss to Ghana, the Hounds showed that they were better than their record indicated.

Richmond, who was riding high after a victory over No. 16 Virginia Tech, failed to respond to two second half Loyola goals as the Hounds defeated the host Spiders 2-0.

After playing Richmond to a scoreless tie in the first half on Saturday, the Greyhound offense finally came to life while the defense remained stout. Both teams played each other to a stalemate until sophomore Josh Taylor broke through at 69:43 to spark the Hounds in a thriller.

"We played for a full 90 minutes and got a quality win away from home," said head coach Mark Mettrick. "That's huge, especially against a team that was coming off a win over Virginia Tech."

Featuring ball control, passing, defense, and timely shooting, Richmond and Loyola played virtually identical first halves.

The Spiders had several clear shots early, but senior goalkeeper Justin Chelland was able to step up with three saves to prevent the attack from reaching the goal. At the 28:31 mark, Richmond had a smart play set up, but the header from the middle of the box was knocked away by Chelland.

Senior defender Gabe Ortega got into the action taking two early

shots, but both sailed wide of the goal. Junior defender Jason Blake had the best shot at scoring for Loyola after he took Ortega's miss and tried for the rebound. However, Richmond keeper Matt Cully deflected the shot to keep the game scoreless.

The second half began with a flurry of shot attempts from the Spiders, who came out of the locker room looking to exert themselves on offense. But Chelland and the defense held strong, averting the added pressure.

The senior continued to frustrate the Spiders as he stifled two more Richmond shots including an open look at 68:06 after a Greyhound foul.

"This game really shows how hard we've been working as a back field," said Chelland. "We [the defense] have a lot of determination and confidence moving forward."

It was after Chelland's save that the Loyola offense finally found a crack in the defense. At 69:43, junior Omar Alfonso nailed a shot that went wide right, but Taylor was in place for the rebound. Unlike the Spiders, the Hounds were able to take advantage of their opportunity as Taylor beat Cully for the 1-0 Loyola lead.

"We worked a lot during the week to prepare for this match-up," said freshman Tennant McVea. "Finally, the work paid off and this time we got the result we wanted."

The Spiders continued to try and pressure the defense, immediately following up the Greyhound goal with two shots of their own. However, Chelland



PHOTO COURTESY OF THE RICHMOND ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT

Omar Alfonso dribbles through two Richmond defenders in Loyola's 2-0 shutout of the Spiders. After a scoreless first half, the Hounds responded with two second half goals to put the game away and give them their first victory of the year.

could not be beaten as he recorded his eighth save of the night keeping Richmond scoreless.

"My job was made a lot easier because of the defense," said Chelland. "I never felt threatened [by Richmond] because of the guys in front of me."

As the game clock ran down, the Greyhounds could smell victory and the Spiders began to panic. Unlike their previous matches, Loyola kept its composure and this time they put the game away. At 77:35, senior Rade Kokovic placed a perfect corner kick that Ortega was able to control and put by the keeper for a 2-0 lead.

The third shot was the charm for Ortega as the senior leader finally

broke through to give Loyola a bit of breathing room.

"This season has been such a roller coaster and many of the games we lost was because we lacked experience [late in games]," said Alfonso. "But we dominated today and were by far the better team out there."

For once, the Hounds were able to play ball control, run out the clock, and relish in their victory.

It didn't matter that the Hounds were out-shot 13-7. It didn't matter that Richmond came out flat expecting an easy game. And it didn't matter that Loyola is still five games under .500.

"To get this game was big," said McVea. "Now we're going into our

next match against College Park with a lot of confidence and hopefully we can pull something from it."

On this night, when the final whistle sounded, Loyola had their first victory of the year, and the Hounds know that every team has to start somewhere.

"Hopefully we can build on [this victory]," said Mettrick. "This team has taken a lot of bruises, but our goal is still to win the conference tournament."

The Hounds will try and build on their momentum tonight when they take their 1-6-1 record to College Park in a 7:30 p.m. showdown with the top-ranked Terrapins.

Volleyball salvages road trip, defeats Niagara

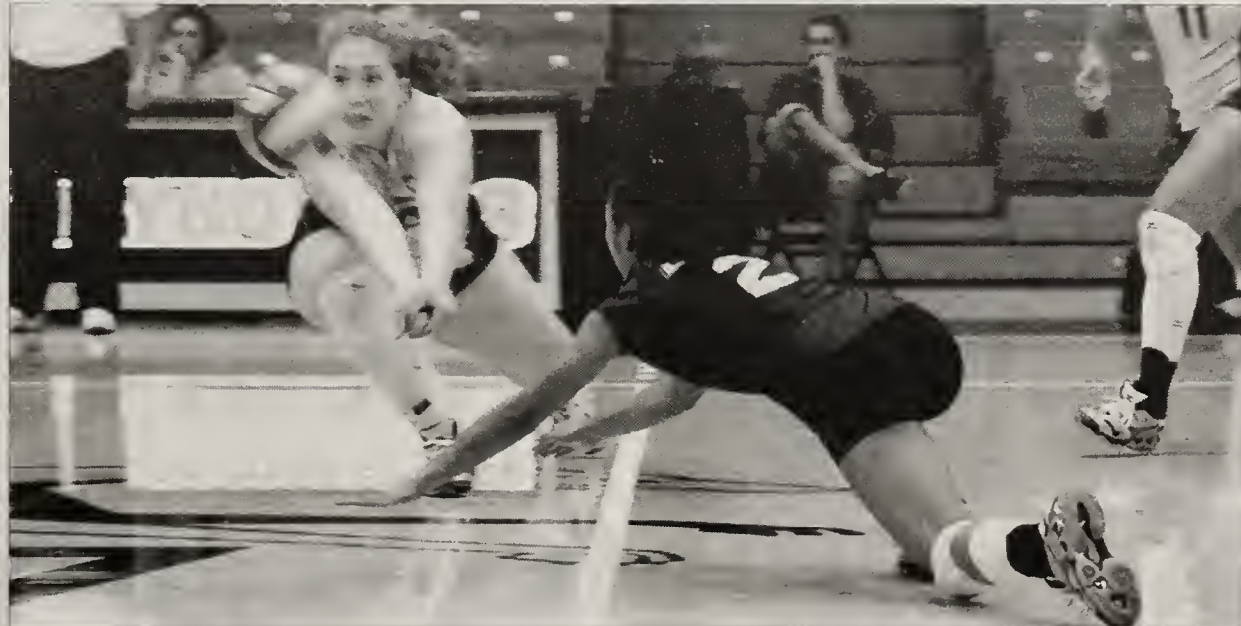
By STEPHANIE RIGIONE
STAFF WRITER

With 29 points on the scoreboard in game four, freshman Chrissey Cruz jumped in the air and denied Niagara's Purple Eagles any chance of a victory. Cruz's final block for the Loyola women's volleyball team sealed their second Metro Atlantic Athletic Conference win of the season at Niagara with a score of 3-1 this past Sunday.

"Our blocking saved us today," head coach Kristina Hernandez said. "Chrissey really stepped it up and we did what needed to be done."

The Greyhounds knew exactly what had to be done and as a whole their impressive statistics sent the Purple Eagles flying away after their feathers.

Senior Blair Snyder had 13 kills and was followed by freshman Karlee Woodward with 12. Woodward also had a team-high .387 hitting percentage, a team record. Cruz credited herself with 39 assists.



ALEXANDRA DYKHOUSE/GREYHOUND

The Hounds were swept twice this week losing 3-0 to Canisius on Saturday and 3-0 to Towson on Tuesday. Fortunately the team was able to rebound with a 3-1 victory on Sunday over Niagara.

In the digs department, freshman Kimi Gabriel led with 23.

Freshman Nicole Scimeme added 18, Synder with 16, Cruz had 14 and both junior Kim Burton and freshman Anastasia Collins claimed 10 digs to their name.

The Greyhounds also had three solo blocks and 24 block

assists. Sophomore Rachel Schillinger led the blocks with two solos and seven assists.

While Sunday's victory was a boost for the Greyhounds ego, the weekend was not a complete celebration as the team was demolished in a 3-0 loss to Canisius on Saturday.

"They looked out of it [on

Saturday] and we made a lot of errors towards the end of each game," said Hernandez.

Toward point 24 in each match, the team started to serve into the net or foul out, leaving the Canisius Griffs plenty of room to step in and steal a victory.

"What we talked about after the game was our lack of focus," said

Synder. "We play just enough not to get embarrassed, but not enough to win."

Lack of focus seems to be a consistent problem that has plagued the team all season.

According to Hernandez, the focus problem has been one of the main reasons why the team has dropped so many ugly matches and was part of the reason that the Hounds lost 3-0 against Towson last Tuesday. The Towson Tigers won all three games with a score of 30-24.

Synder said she felt an "odd vibe" at the Towson game and that the lack of intensity was part of the defeat.

The Greyhounds hope to raise the magnitude of their play to the level they were at against Niagara as they head farther into conference play.

Loyola will take a 4-14 record (2-2 in the MAAC) to Towson University this Saturday when they will do battle against the Sienna Saints. The next home game for the Hounds will be against Marist on Sunday Oct. 1.

Greyhounds drop 1-0 heartbreaker at Rutgers

BY GREG WESTPHAL
STAFF WRITER

The Scarlet Knights of Rutgers proved to be too much for the Loyola women's soccer team on Tuesday afternoon. Once again the Hounds offense failed to show up as the Scarlet Knights squeaked out a 1-0 win.

Both Rutgers and Loyola played a consistent, even match that dragged through the entire contest. Neither team was able to get anything going offensively.

Rutgers' Gina Demaio converted the game's only goal off of a penalty kick in the 41st minute..

"In the first half we got out to a really slow start and no one played particularly well," said senior Caitlin McCusker.

The penalty kick aside, freshman goalie Brittany Henderson played her normal shut down defense, blocking the other four shots on goal by the Scarlet Knights. Loyola was only able to muster up three shots on goal continuing their offensive dry spell.

Having scored only four goals in seven games this season, including not scoring more than once in any game, the Hounds are struggling to find a replacement for Ali Andrzejewski, last year's leading scorer and a two-time MAAC Offensive Player of the Year, to complement senior striker Carolyn Kennington..

While the Hounds have struggled to score, they have generated shots and put pressure on opposing defenses.. They have out shot their opponent in five of seven games this season.

"If I knew what we were doing wrong, I would have fixed it by now and we'd be scoring," said head coach John Byford. "I think it's just been a lack of confidence. We've been playing well but we must look for more confidence in our shot taking."

"We have to relax a little bit and not worry," said Coach Byford. "I'd be worried if we weren't creating goal scoring situations, but we are."

The Hounds record of 1-4-2 is not reflective of their talent and how they have

been playing this season. They have been playing great defensively and have been doing so against great competition. But they must start scoring some goals if they want their record to start tilting the other way.

"We just need to relax and play with confidence," said Byford. "If we can do that we'll manage to get the balls to start falling in between the three white sticks."

McCusker echoed her coach's feelings. "We make some wrong decisions when we get into scoring range. Once we start



ALEXANDRA DYKHOUSE/GREYHOUND

Senior Carolyn Kennington and the rest of the Hounds have not been able to find their shot offensively. Loyola had only three shots against Rutgers last week.

getting into the scoring mentality and get some confidence I think the scoring will come a lot easier."

The Hounds head to New Jersey tomorrow to take on Princeton at 7 p.m.

Muliere, Shriver carry Hounds at Invitational

BY ROB HINKEY
STAFF WRITER

The Loyola golf team finished up a busy week after they competed in two tournaments.

Last Monday and Tuesday, they took part in the Towson Invitational, hosted by Towson University. The event was held at the Musket Ridge Golf Club in Western Maryland.

The second tournament that the team competed in was the Sea Trail Invitational which was held in Sunset Beach, N.C.

Overall, the team was disappointed with its showing at Towson, but bounced back well in the Sea Trail event against some tough competition.

The Towson Invitational was challenging for the team because in addition to the tough field they were playing against, they had to persevere through rain and heavy winds on the second day.

The team score for each round is calculated by taking the top four rounds from the five players sent to the tournament. The golfers came out and performed well the first day, posting five scores in the 70s

and finishing with a team score of 295.

However, the team's second round was not as good as the first, with the team posting a score of 301.

They dropped from fourth place after the first day to sixth place, where they finished the tournament.

The Greyhounds ended up three strokes back of fourth place Bethune-Cookman and 19 strokes behind tournament champion Boston College.

Despite the disappointing finish, the team got solid performances from its top three players in the field, with each of them


finishing in the top 20 in the individual competition.

Senior team captain Will Shriver had no trouble dealing with the weather on the second day, shooting a 71 to go along with a first day score of 74.

Sophomore Michael Mulieri stayed right with Shriver, matching his score while shooting rounds of 71-74. Shriver and Mulieri both finished tied for eleventh in the individual competition.

Junior Matt Bassler had a solid tournament, posting rounds of 74-75. The

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THE GREYHOUND ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Entering the 2006 campaign, freshman Brittany Henderson first had to prove she was good enough to unseat sophomore Amanda Piccirilli for the starting goalkeeper position on the women's soccer team. The 5-7 keeper from New York certainly boasts the credentials as her junior and senior years of high school were riddled with awards such as all-state, all-region, Suffolk Goalkeeper of the Year All-America semi-finalist, and Section 11 Most Valuable Player. However, it has been her solid, consistent, and sometimes extraordinary goalie instincts that have earned Henderson a starting spot as a freshman.

Henderson has been dynamic this year, making key saves in clutch situations to either keep the games close or to preserve a victory. Her performances against Maryland, Georgetown, and Rutgers showed why she was so highly regarded coming out of high school.

In the Maryland game two weeks ago, she not only notched a career high six saves, but she was able to preserve a 1-0 shutout of the Terrapins. Against a tough Georgetown team, Henderson had three more saves and was instrumental in keeping the game scoreless in a 0-0 tie. Despite playing in tight games in pressure filled atmospheres, Henderson has been able to keep her cool and put a halt to opposing offenses.

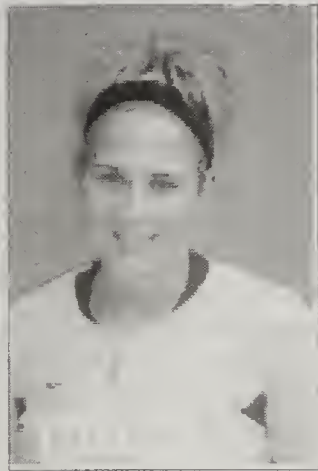


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Brittany Henderson
Freshman

Hounds hit stride, impress down in Hoover

By Kat Kienle
STAFF WRITER

Average Loyola students do not tend to get a gleam of excitement in their eye when someone mentions running an eight-kilometer race in 99 degree weather. Yet, the men and women on the Loyola cross country team are hardly average.

Last Saturday, the Greyhounds competed in the Great American Cross-Country Festival located at Spain Park in Hoover, Ala., as opposed to the event's usual location in North Carolina. Hoover, however, was not as welcoming with temperatures reaching over 92 degrees and humidity at 95 percent.

But this did not seem to hinder the performance of the men's and women's team in the most prestigious event of the festival, Nike's Race of Champions.

The men had a standout meet managing to tie for second with a score of 94 points. They finished behind only cross-country powerhouse, Central Michigan University. Also, four of the five scoring Loyola runners placed within the top 25 in the race.

"It was an incredible team effort," says Head Coach Rick Woods. "I believe it was the best performances in recent Loyola history in a meet this high caliber."

The top finisher for the men's side was junior Gian Caccia who ran a 26:56, an impressive time considering the length and conditions of the course.

Caccia placed third overall, reaffirming his place as one of the better runners in the region.

"The race started out fast for the first mile, and it was especially hard in the ridiculous heat," says Caccia. "I was in tenth [place] until around two-and-a-half miles

which is when I was able to pull up with the leaders and eventually get in to third."

Brian Parker, Chris Heibell, freshman standout Terry Moran, and Keith Forlenza rounded out the Loyola top five to give the men their outstanding finish.

For the women, the Nike Race of Champions featured extremely tight competition. With only 19 points separating third and eighth place, the Greyhounds were able to fend off the stiff opposition of schools like University of South Carolina, Clemson, and Florida State.

The women, with a total of 160 points, finished third trailing only champion University of Alabama Birmingham and runner-up BYU.

Loyola pulled off a truly impressive feat considering that any small misstep by an individual would have significantly affected their placement.

"I think all of them ran an awesome race considering the competition and conditions of this meet," said Woods. "The coaching staff is proud of them and we look forward to what they will bring to the table next Saturday at Iona."

The women were led by senior runner Andrea Rovegno who placed tenth. Colleen Depman, Sarah Spencer, Michelle McVann, and Maureen Wynne followed Rovegno to round out the top five scoring runners for Loyola.

"It was a great chance for us as a team to get some national exposure and test ourselves against these highly ranked schools," Depman said. "We're hoping to be regionally ranked and everyone really stepped it up to get that goal accomplished."

On Saturday, Loyola travels to Van Courtland Park, N.Y. where the runners will race in Iona's Meet of Champions.

Golf team finds stroke, places fifth at Sea Trail

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effort was good enough to put Bassler in a tie for 19th place.

Sophomore Sean Curtin, making his first appearance in a collegiate tournament, started well after shooting a 76. He struggled to replicate that effort on the second day though, posting an 81.

Junior Nick Brassil had rounds of 79-86 to round out the Loyola scoring.

The team attributed their shortcomings at Towson to an inability to capitalize on their opportunities.

"We left a lot of shots out there," said Shriver.

Coach Tom Beidleman was disappointed his team could not carry on the momentum of their recent victory.

"Sixth place is not terrible by any means," said Beidleman. "But I expected more with the momentum we had coming in."

The team put forth a much better showing at the Sea Trail Invitational, capturing fifth place against some great golfers. They shot rounds of 289-292 for a five over par total for the tournament.

Shriver was the only Loyola golfer to finish in the top 20 individually, but consistent play from the team's other top players allowed them to finish strongly in the competition.

Their consistency was highlighted by the fact that four of the five golfers broke 75 in both rounds.

"Our top four guys played exceptionally well both days," said coach Beidleman.

Shriver led the team with rounds of 72-71, finishing in 15th place at one over par. Bassler registered another solid tournament with rounds of 73-73. Sophomore Blake Furgerson continued his strong play, matching Bassler with his own rounds of 73-73. Fellow sophomore Michael Mulieri posted scores of 72-74 to tie Furgerson and Bassler at 146 overall. Bassler, Furgerson, and Mulieri all finished tied for 22nd place in the individual competition.

Freshman Mike Bassler, making his collegiate debut, struggled in both rounds, shooting 80-81 for the two days.

Beidleman attributed his team's success to their ability to close the tournament strongly. Two players birdied 17, and four birdied 18 on the second day, which was much more difficult because of windy conditions. The strong finish helped them secure fifth place by one shot over Gardner-Webb University.

The team is looking to carry its momentum into next week's event in Williamsburg on Oct. 2-3. They will compete in the Joe Agee Invitational, hosted by William and Mary.

It is an important event for them because both the field and golf course will present even more new and difficult challenges. The golfers will be looking to improve on last year's eighth place finish.

The team knows that if they play up to their capabilities, they have the talent to compete with the best teams in their district.

"We definitely expect bigger things, but we are on the right track," said Shriver.

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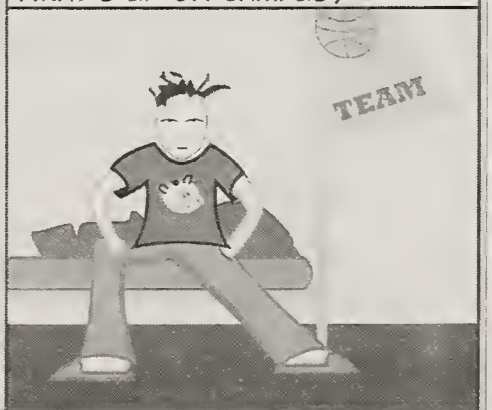
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Same sad story plagues Skins supporters

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Once again, the Washington Redskins have succeeded in raising expectations and then falling flat on their face. This year was supposed to be the year that Dan Snyder actually spent his money wisely. This was

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the year that the Redskins were supposed to have more than three draft picks. The Skins said that last year too... and the year before that.

Washington is the true transplant city. People come and go with the politicians, get jobs with the EPA, DOD, FBI, or IRS, and find themselves around the water bubbler complaining about Beltway traffic and the Skins game. With this regionally diverse population, it is amazing how strong and loyal a fan base the Redskins have.

That combined with the city of power and wealth makes this franchise worth \$1.4 billion, far and away the highest value in all of American sports.

So how does the seventh largest sports market, full of migrant government workers, hold the most valuable sports franchise in America and arguably the most energized fan base?

The question leaves room for a variety of possibilities, but I am willing to bet that Joe Gibbs has something to do with it. My parents moved to D.C. while I was at a

boarding school in Massachusetts, making me a semi-transplant. I have spent a good amount of time in DC, but not enough to call myself a local. However, I have noticed that our capital is just as intense about its football team as it is about its democratic politics.

I have also had the privilege of attending games at the worst new stadium ever built. Jack Kent Cooke, the owner that brought you three Super Bowl championships and Joe Gibbs, designed the stadium after Philadelphia's Veteran Stadium. There is nothing uglier than Veteran Stadium. The games are fun, the Skins usually lose, they have a band that plays a fight song when they score, and the beer costs \$6. It's a good time. It seems like a normal pro football game with the \$65 upper deck tickets, except Washingtonians are actually showing up to games at this excuse for a stadium at the home finale when the Skins are 6-9.

Once you turn on the TV or AM radio, an outsider will soon realize that this is the center of their non-political universe. If its 980 on your AM or "The John Riggins Show" on TV, the Redskins make or break people's lives. The defensive coordinator and future head coach Gregg Williams is in more commercials in D.C. than Curt "media whore" Schilling has in Boston.

In fact, Skins fans are so passionate, I am positive that more people inside the beltway would take a bullet for Joe Gibbs than for any president in our history. Gibbs, now boasting hall of fame status, has earned the title of "God" among fans.

Last year when the Skins beat those dastardly Cowboys, the town rejoiced like Philadelphia after they got rid of T.O. Beating the Cowboys was in the middle of a Skins run that landed them in the playoffs



GARY W. GREEN/KRT

Mark Brunell's inconsistent play this season has Redskins fans clamoring for a change at quarterback. Despite the big free agent acquisitions and the high profile coaching staff, the organization has not given Washington a Super Bowl.

and it was the lead story on the front page of the *Washington Post*.

Throughout the entire paper there were human interest stories about how the game brought old friends and families together. All of this for a regular season game. Allen Iverson would have vomited.

The true litmus test of a fan's passion is how quickly they turn their backs on the stars. Mark Brunell, who was a key in the playoff push after throwing seven touchdown passes in the last three games, has now lost the confidence of the Redskins faithful.

After getting railed in the preseason, the fans turned on him faster than Sox fans turned on Nomar. And like Mr. Mia Hamm, he deserves a bit of slack. At least give him until October before calling for his head.

But Redskins fans don't care; in a "What

Have You Done For Me Lately?" world, all they care about is winning and the last thing they want is a washed up quarterback ruining Joe Gibbs' good name.

After carefully watching Redskins football I have come to the following conclusion: the Redskins are like Nickelback. You hear that Nickelback's new single is a good song. The radio tells you this, some of your slower friends tell you this, and then you hear it and you realize that it's a Nickelback song and it sucks.

Every year the talking heads on ESPN say the Skins are going win the NFC East, and some of your buddies think they have a shot at the Super Bowl, but then you remember that they are the Redskins and they will finish 8-8 at best. But hang in there Redskin fans. Joe Gibbs is on your side and that is reason enough for optimism.

American golfers remain baffled by Ryder Cup

I had been looking forward to Sept. 22 all summer. And no, it was not because Scott Baio turned 45--although I am sure Chachi's shindig was something special, with a plethora of B-list celebrities making his party look like a casting call for "The Surreal Life."

No, Sept. 22 marked the start of one of my favorite events in all of sports: the Ryder Cup.

So as I sat writing my column on Saturday, the second day of the tournament, I witnessed an all too familiar scene--the U.S. was getting spanked. Again. Mickelson and

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DiMarco? Evidently they were no match for the "Spanish Armada": Olazabal and Garcia. Woods and Furyk? The seemingly unstoppable tandem was taken down by Darren Clarke and Lee Westwood. As Saturday rolled on, it became evident that the talented Americans were once again going to be outplayed by a group of inferior golfers.

At Oakland Hills in 2004 the Americans were embarrassed by the Europeans. The U.S. team lost 18 1/2 to 9 1/2; the largest margin of victory by Europe over the U.S. in the history of the event. Furthermore, Europe has been dominant in the Ryder Cup over the last 20 years, winning seven of the last 10. Things were not going to get any easier for the Americans at the 36th Ryder Cup, held at the K Club in Kildare, Ireland. With the loss last weekend, the U.S. has only won

one of the last six Cup's held on European soil.

Assembling the United States squad did not start smoothly. There was some controversy surrounding the appointment of Tom Lehman as captain, as many wanted Mark O'Meara to be named captain, including O'Meara's close friend Tiger Woods.

Moreover, one need only look at O'Meara's credentials to see why he is a deserving captain. He has 11 more PGA Tour tournament wins than Lehman, and has appeared in five Ryder Cups to Lehman's three. Not to mention O'Meara is also a member at the K Club. He was the obvious choice; the perfect fit. Too bad the PGA of America felt differently, angering many. After watching Lehman continuously make questionable decisions as captain, I have to believe that the PGA of America chose the wrong man.

However, that is no excuse for the individual performance by some of the best golfers in the world. The U.S. has some of the top golfers in the world in Tiger Woods, Phil Mickelson, Jim Furyk, Chad Campbell, David Toms, and Chris DiMarco.

Europe may not have the top guys the U.S. does, but they do have more depth in their squad, which always proves to be very valuable. Europe was captained by the pint-sized Ian Woosnam. And guys like Luke Donald, Sergio Garcia, Darren Clarke, Pádraig Harrington, Lee Westwood and Colin Montgomerie don't scare anyone. But somehow, they beat the U.S. every year with their scrappy, no-name golfers. The depth certainly helped the Europeans this weekend, but how the U.S. squad can explain the implosions of Woods and Furyk is beyond me.

The one American that worried me the

most going into the tournament was Mickelson.

After this weekend's debacle, Lefty looks like he may never recover after his meltdown at Winged Foot, which culminated in Phil calling himself an idiot. I will never forget Mickelson hitting a feeble shot into the water with Woods watching during the 2004 finale. I have always been a big fan of Phil, but I think he hit the nail on the head when he called himself an idiot. I was disgusted then and I am disgusted with his play now. The man has serious psyche problems.

What separates the Europeans from the Americans is their sense of team pride. We saw the American spirit at Brookline in '99 but since then it seems dead. These past few years you could really sense the drive of the Europeans.

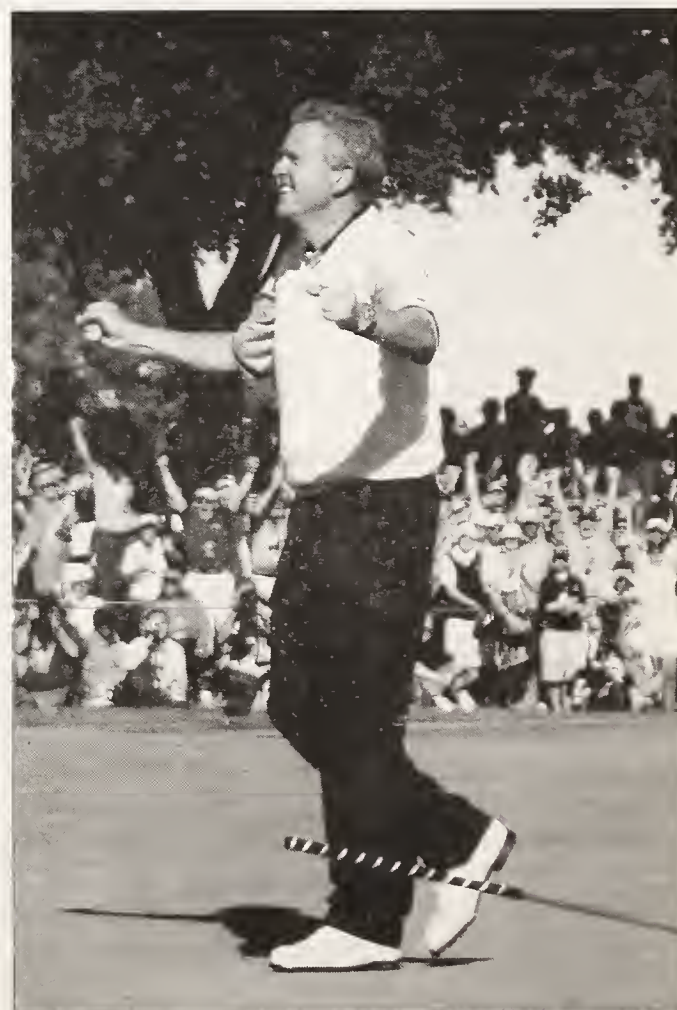
It was different with the Americans, who appeared to be playing for themselves with no real feeling of camaraderie.

Tiger knows he is the best player in the world and he doesn't need the Ryder Cup to prove it. He has said himself that he does not really care about the Ryder Cup and finds it to be 'just another tournament.'

Maybe if the Ryder Cup was played for money, the United States would dominate like they had the first 50 years of the

tournament. I know if winning the Cup meant a cash reward, guys like Mickelson would really up their game.

It's a sad concept, but after failing once again to prove they were the best in the world, maybe the great American dollar is the only way to stop the team from embarrassing itself.



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Europe's Colin Montgomerie, who has a 19-8-5 Ryder Cup record, performed again in '06. The European players may get little recognition, but there is little doubt that they have been dangerous in this tournament.

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